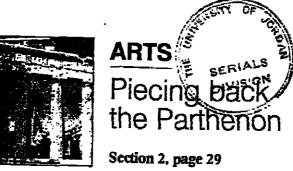
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Arms-for-Iraq enquiry buys breathing space for Major

An embattled John Major went on the offensive yesterday, launching a judicial enquiry into the Matrix Churchill affair which could threaten his own career and that of other senior ministers

SBY SHEILA GUNN AND NICHOLAS WOOD

A JUDICIAL enquiry into British military exports to Iraq was announced by John Major yesterday as MPs alleged that ministers were prepared to see innocent men sent to prison to cover up the government's secret promotion of

As Conservative MPs contemplated yet another government crisis, the prime minister tried to defuse the arms-tolran dispute by promising that Lord Justice Scott will have full access to all government papers suggesting that minis-ters colluded in breaching the 1984 United Nations arms embargo against President

In a tense Commons statement, Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attorney-general, disclosed that the judge will have the power to summon ministers to give evidence. After whispered exchanges with Mr Major, Sir Nicholas made clear that ministers would be ordered to attend. If they did not, "they would not be likely to remain ministers for long

Sir Nicholas told MPs that the enquiry would be set up and conducted as speedily as possible, "having regard to the further criminal enquiries or proceedings". Given the comthought likely to take many months. By moving so quickly Mr. Major won himself a valuable breathing space in what could prove a highly damaging affair that could threaten his career and that of several of his most senior

In carrying out his investi-

Office. He may also want to hear from Mr Major and Baroness Thatcher. Other senior Tories who may have had knowledge of the deals include William Waldegrave, Douglas Hurd, Lord Howe, Malcolm Rifkind, Tom King, George Younger, Michael Heseltine, Peter Lilley and Lord Ridley. The prime minister clearly hopes that his swift action will deflect further questioning. However, Labour MPs were

gation. Mr Justice Scott is

likely to question former and present ministers from the

defence and trade depart-

ments and from the Foreign

last night seeking to implicate
Mr Major personally in the
government's role, which
came to light during a trial of Coventry businessmen which collapsed on Monday.

Mr Major and other ministers have denied repeatedly that they have supplied militaty equipment to Iraq and rejected demands for an en-

quiry into alleged breaches. The change of heart came after the acquittal at the Old Bailey of three executives from Matrix Churchill, the Coventry lathe manufacturer, on charges of illegally exporting arms-making equipment to Iraq. The case collapsed after Alan Clark, a former trade minister, contradicted in the witness box his earlier state ments to the prosecution. After the trial Mr Justice Smedles examined 500 pages of confidential ministerial papers and released them to the defence. The povernment was under

pressure on two fronts yesterday: the fact that ministers had signed public interest immunity certificates to try to pre-vent official papers being used in open court and the allegation that for several years the government had connived over the breach of its public support of the arms embargo.

The signatories to the immunity certificates were Michael Heseltine, Kenneth Clarke, Malcolm Rifkind and Tristan Garel-Jones from the trade, home, defence and foreign ministries. Most Tories. but not Labour, appeared ready to accept Sir Nicholas' assurances that ministers had had no choice but to cite the public interest immunity in seeking to deny the release of the documents to the defence lawvers. One senior minister

In Sarajevo, a father's sad farewell



Father and son press their hands against a coach window as the tearful boy leaves on one of a convoy of 14 buses taking Muslim and Croat women and children from Sarajevo to the relative safety of Split, the Croatian port. A 1,000-strong

group of Serb families was due to leave for Belgrade in a second convoy. The convoy to Split was last night stranded in freezing darkness on the outskirts of Sarajevo after being halted at a Serb roadblock. Sarajevo television quoted Safir

Halilovic, a Bosnian army commander, as saying that Muslims had been taken off the buses, but its report could not be confirmed. Mr Halilovic banned further convoys until the Muslims' plight had been clarified. UK troops arrive, page 12

Dunkel to the rescue on Gatt talks

By David Watts DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

HOPES for a last-minute rescue of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Arthur Dunkel, the Gatt director-general, announced that he would soon leave on a mission to warn the European Community and America of the consequences of failure.

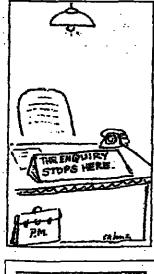
His commitment came amid growing signs that the two sides might be moving towards compromise in the dispute that threatens to become a transatlantic trade war. In The Hague, Jacques Delors, the European Commission president, said he hoped an agreement could be reached before next month's

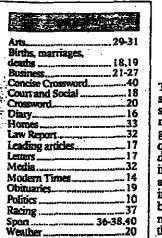
John Major told the Commons that the government was doing all it could to secure a Gatt settlement "in a matter of weeks at the outside". Responding to concern over the breakdown of the talks, he said: "The damage of there not being a Gatt round is too profound to contemplate, adding: "I cannot myself accept that it is impossible to reach an agreement that will be acceptable both [sides], and that the moment agreement is reached the Gatt round can be concluded in Geneva without further delay.

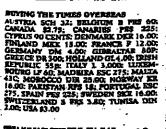
Mr Dunkel said he could not directly intervene or mediate in the US-EC squabble. "But it is for me to make the two very much aware ... that the lack of a constructive solution to the dispute puts in danger not only the Uruguay round but the whole trading system itself," he told a news conference.

He said no dates had been set for his mission, which had been approved by the trade negotiations committee of the 105-member Gatt.

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Lighting a long-term fuse on another explosive affair

said later that the papers contained classified informa-

tion and confidential advice to

Ministers had been advised

ministers from their officials.

that they had to sign certifi-

cates withholding the papers

as a matter of principle. How-

ever, they had done so in the

knowledge that the trial judge would have the final veto over

whether the documents came into the public domain.

The Whitehall papers dis-closed in court suggested that on July 1990, two weeks

before the Iraqi invasion of

Kuwait, the government se-cretly changed its policy on banning the export of "lethal"

equipment to Baghdad. An

THE Matrix Churchill affair stinks — of collusion, hypocri-sy and deceit. The prime minister and the attorney-general yesterday moved quickly to dampen the immediate row by setting up an independent judicial enquiry, and by shifting the focus to inconsistencies in statements by Alan Clark, the former minister. But in the process they set a long-term fuse that could still explode in their

The enquiry by Lord Justice Scott could turn out to be like the damning report in 1959 by the late Lord Devlin into the Hola camp massacre in Nyasaland, or the report in 1963 by Lord Denning into the security services and the Profumo affair. Both undermined the standing of the governments of the day.

Nothing that has been disclosed is specifically damaging to John Major, either during his period as prime minister or earlier. And there were ambiguities in the terms of the guidelines from 1984 to 1990



Peter Riddell, Political Editor, examines the latest Tory debacle, and finds a disturbing conflict between private practice and public claims

on arms sales to Iraq which may provide a loophole for ministers. But the affair generally adds to the troubles of a government which is already tottering from crisis to crisis almost daily. Mr Major can do without further bad headlines.

Even in the short-term the announcement of the enquiry will not halt criticism. A House of Commons motion tabled last night by Robin Cook, Labour's trade and industry spokesman, claimed that there were discrepancies between what ministers had said in the Commons and minutes of Whitehall meetings released in the trial of the

three businessmen. There are two sets of charges. The first, and most

nal collusion in the sale of machine tooks to Iraq knowing that they might be used for military purposes. That may

implicate a wide range of

ministers, including Baroness

was awaited last night as to

whether the interpretation of

the guidelines on the UN

arms embargo was changed before July 1990 and whether

Mr Major knew of that

A number of Tories later

suggested that the "quixotic"

Mr Clark was the only minis-

ter who had sought to help

firms get around the embargo.

However, the government papers suggest that questions

about sales of military equip-ment to Iraq were raised widely in Whitehall in the late

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change.

Thatcher as well as Mr Clark. The second concerns current ministers who signed a public interest immunity to prevent the automatic disclosure of documents in open court. But the attorney-general and other ministers argued yesterday that immunity was always claimed for such documents and the prosecution had invited the judge to rule on their disclosure.

The details of the affair may confuse most voters, but the overriding impression is of a conflict between private practice and public claims, of Continued on page 2, col 2

Blues see red over supergirl

By JOHN GOODBODY

JODI Evans, a Rhodes scholar and member of Canada's Olympic women's basketball squad, has been blocked from playing in Oxford University's men's team, despite being "an exceptional" player.

Ms Evans, 24. and a 5ft 10in point guard, is so good that she was chosen immediately for the men's team when she arrived at Oxford last month, but the British



Jodi Evans: tournament ban is "very unfair"

Universities Sports Federation (BUSF) has ruled that she cannot take part in their tournaments. She said yesterday: "The

only concern that BUSF seems to have is my gender. It is very unfair." Peter Rhodes, BUSF secretary, said he had a great deal of sympathy, but it was BUSF policy that teams be single-sex. "If we had made an exception, we could have opened the floodgates," he

Birt to take over BBC at Christmas

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

SIR Michael Checkland has agreed to step down as direc-tor-general of the BBC two months earlier than planned. clearing the way for his successor, John Birt, to take over at

After 16 months forced to share the helm with Mr Birt while denying he was a lameduck director general, Sir Michael yesterday met Marmaduke Hussey, the BBC chairman, to suggest an earli-

The announcement which followed comes only three weeks after Sir Michael said, in an unprecedented outburst against a BBC chairman, that Mr Hussey was too old and out of touch at the age of 69 to steer the corporation into the 21st century. He also attacked Mr Hussey for having put him in "an absurd position" by naming Mr Birt as his successor almost two years before the change, which originally had been due to happen in late February next year.

There was intense speculation about Sir Michael's future after his outburst, but only last week he told The Times he would not resign before the end of his term.

In a statement yesterday, Sir Michael made clear that his decision to step down early was his own idea. He said: "The preparation of the BBC's own vision of its future, which I have led over the past 18 months, is complete. We will be publishing it soon, and it will be for John Birt as incoming director-general to take forward that vision on which we have worked togeth-

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Lamont joins 'charm offensive' to win Tory support for cuts

By Nicholas Wood and Jill Sherman

joined an unprecedented public relations offensive to win the backing of Conservative MPs for the tough economic package he will unveil tomorrow in his Autumn Statement.

Norman Lamont saw up to 20 of the most senior backbenchers in his Treasury office last night to sketch out the grim background to his raft of deep spending cuts in a host of politically sensitive depart-

mental programmes.

Mr Lamont, who has faced persistent demands for his resignation since the sterling crisis, was also fighting for his medium-term political surviv-

Let coma

man die,

says BMA

By Jeremy Laurance

al as he tried to woo his backbenchers. The Chancellor explained to the officers of the backbench Tory finance committee and leading members of the 1922 executive how the recession had reversed the gains of the 1980s and how public spending as a proportion of national output and the national debt were rising

alarmingly. Without tax rises in the spring, the public-sector borrowing requirement will reach £50 billion, about 7 per cent of GNP. The need to rein in this ballooning deficit is being

Fuse is lit on explosive affair

HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT TONY Bland, the Hillsborough coma victim, should be allowed "to die peacefully with his family holding his hand", the British Medical

Association said yesterday. The BMA also called for a new dialogue between pa-tients and doctors over treatment of the dying. It backed the idea of a card, similar to an organ donor card, which could be carried by people who did not want to be kept alive if

there was no hope of recovery. Mr Bland has been fed through a tube for three years since he suffered irreversible brain damage in the Hills-borough football disaster in 1989. Tomorrow, Yorkshire regional health authority will seek permission in the High Court to remove his feeding tube and allow him to die.

Dr Fleur Fisher, head of the BMA's ethics and science division, said that with patients such as Mr Bland it was right that surgeons should fight to save their lives in the early stages. "But this tragedy has gone on for three years. the family and surgeon have supported Mr Bland totally and recognise that this young man has no hope of recovery. The least that can be done for him is to allow him to die peacefully with his family

holding his hand." The BMA says that patients in a persistent vegetative state should be treated for at least a year before such decisions are made. Views of relatives should be taken into account but cannot be overriding.

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advanced by the Chancellor as the justification for a virtual

Continued from page 1 supporting the arming of Iraq against Iran at a time when ministers were deploring the build up of weapons in the region. None of this will have surprised anyone in America since one of the most damaging pre-election charges against the Bush administration was that it connived in the channelling of funds to finance arms supplies to Baghdad until the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August

As often, the most pertinent questions during yesterday's Commons exchanges came from an independent-minded backbencher such as Richard Shepherd, the Conservative party challenger of official secrets. He said that the major ethical and moral point was that a prosecution could be mounted which would take away the liberty of three businessmen when ministers appeared to know that there was a basis on which the trial should not proceed. There was, he argued, a question of trust between the Commons and ministers. "When we are told a policy is such, it is such and there is no deviation." he

The administrations in both Washington and London believed that there were good strategic, and trading, rea-sons for their "tilt towards Iraq". The trouble is that they were saying something very different to their publics at the time. Whatever else Lord Justice Scott finds in his enquiries, ministers and senior officials on both sides of the Atlantic are now paying the price for being found out in their stretching of the

pay freeze in the public sector and cuts in planned spending on defence, health, social security, education and local government budgets.

Mr Lamont was pointing out that the planned increases for next year and the following two had been drawn up in the good times. The unexpected depth and length of the recession meant that planned in-creases had to be cut back drastically if the government was to regain control of its finances and deliver its medium-term pledge that the state would take a steadily declining share of national output. Other Treasury ministers

and Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, continued with the so-called "charm offensive" designed to prevent offensive" designed to prevent yet another backbench upris-ing over unpopular decisions. It also emerged that Conser-vative Central Office is playing a big role in the attempt to unite the party behind the economic package, which will be supported with a cut in be sweetened with a cut in interest rates, possibly as much as 2 per cent, measures to boost construction and tax breaks for industry to encourage investment.

Officials at Smith Square will rush out a briefing note to Tory MPs as soon as the Chancellor sits down after his statement in the Commons. Constituency parties will be immediately mailed with background material on the statement to help them win the support of the party faithful for one of the most politically hazardous economic announcements since the

One Central Office aide said that the preparations were as "good and thorough" as he could remember and put the Autumn Statement on a par with the Budget in terms of its political importance. Sources said that the government was determined not to repeat the public relations fiasco of the pit closures when ministers relied on a "press release and there you go". One senior official added: "It's the difference between fighting a battle on ground you have prepared and being ambushed."

Mr Lamont's statement will emphasise the measures he is taking to deliver the prime minister's promise of a "strategy for recovery". Insiders said that ministers viewed the statement as more of an opportunity than yet another hurdle for a beleaguered government to

One leading Tory MP said: It's all about restoring confidence. It doesn't much matter what is in it so long as they can

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Yeltsin delivers coup warning and hands the Queen an invitation

By Anne McElvoy, moscow correspondent

PRESIDENT Yeltsin yesterday warned that the "ghosts of the past" were threatening to overthrow Russia's reforms and vowed to withstand the challenges of hardline opponents this winter by assuming emergency powers if need be. Mr Yeltsin also, at a Buckingham Palace lunch, invited

the Queen to visit his country. Earlier, Mr Yeltsin used the occasion of a speech to both houses of parliament on the final day of his visit to Britain to reassure the West that he intends to fight off conservatives who want a slower transition to capitalism, saying: "We must openly recognise that there are forces in our shadows in which the ghosts country interested in a re-

In one of his strongest attacks yet on the alliance of right and left plotting to rise against him at the Congress of People's Deputies next month, he dismissed them as leftovers from the Communist elite. Russian nationalists and political adventurers.

Mr Yeltsin cut a confident figure as his bass voice boomed through the chamber, and departed from his prepared speech several times to the discomfiture of his interpreters. He dismissed his opponents as "a theatre of of the past are giving their farewell performance". At lunch with the Queen,

the Duke of Edinburgh and the Duke of York, Mr Yeltsin said, he had asked his royal hosts to visit Russia and they had accepted. An invitation was issued by Mikhail Gorbachev three years ago but never realised, partly due to in-stability in Russia and partly because of the Communist Party domination that persisted under his rule. This time the Palace sounds keener on the idea - always presuming that Mr Yeltsin survives in

power long enough.

Russian sweeps in to pomp and ceremony at old folks' home



H ave you ever organised a social morning at an old folks' home when a Special Visitor is to call (and perhaps show slides) and residents gather in the lounge? If so you will have recognised the mood in the Royal Gallery in the Lords yesterday. The Special Visitor was the Russian Presi-dent, Boris Yeltsin, but he

did not bring slides.

Peers were in excited mood. Theoretically the occasion was for both the Lords and the Commons and equal seating had at first been set aside but a few rows of seats were enough for the handful of MPs who turned up; and the rest were filled by peers. Age brings an appetite for pomp and cir-cumstance, and, besides, they have time on their

The Royal Gallery is Victoriana at its most absurd: neo-Gothic excess and fevered braggadocio: On opposite walls hang two vast oil paintings, one of victory at Trafalgar, the other Water-ioo. Apparently when Presi-dent Pompidou visited, the French embassy insisted these be draped in muslin. Headphones had been

placed on each seat. Bewildered peers fiddled with these until a voice over the loudspeakers said: "You will find a listening device on your seat. There is an On outton which you switch on. It cannot be switched off. English is on channel I, Russian on channel 2."

It was nearly 11.00am. We had been waiting since shortly after 10.00. "Make way for Madam Speaker!" shouted a flunkey. Peers struggled to their feet, getting tangled in their listening devices, as guards in brass betweets stood to attended tion. Betty Boothroyd, knocking em cold in black and gold, tore down the aisle, pursued by footmen. "Gosh, what a pace!" whispered a nearby peer, enviously, to his chum.

Make way for the Lord Chancellor!" came the shout. Lord Mackay careered past in a cloud of Like buses, people in garters don't come for hours, then they all come at once. Then Dame Janet Fookes bustled down the aisle in violent purple. Dame Janet doesn't need ceremonial dress for these occasions: her everyday clothes are sufficiently remarkable. Now came a brass fanfare.

followed by the unfortunately timed trumpeting of a

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peer upon his handkerchief. And in strode Boris Yeltsin, his white hair swept back in an impeccable quiff. He looked like a Teddy boy dad at parents' day. The Presi-dent stood between Lord Mackay and Madam Speaker the two in identical gold lace and black silk outfits a giorified version of those matching his 'n hers carcoats you can order from

Sunday magazines. The President, Russia's answer to John Prescott. struck me as a powerful orator. His speech, which was in substance routine, was full of light and shade and gentle humour, and a bold oratorical use of

True, something of a shudder ran down our backs at a passage which twice repeated the phrase "there is no alternative!" - the niets ringing out with
Thatcherian vigour. Was he
— heaven forbid — turning
into ..? "Dat" he cried —
"Yes! We have made mistakes ..." The audience relaxed. No, he was not.

Yeltsin's use of language rose at times to a level of which Churchill would have approved. Pleading for an end to talk of Western "victory" in the Cold war, he said that the iron curtain did not follow geography: "the front line of the Cold war cut through the hearts and destinies of men and women everywhere" as much in Russia as in the West.

II e was thanked with folksy confidence by a cheeky Betty Boothroyd, who told him that he might be the first Russian President, but she was the first

woman Speaker. This was, they told us, the first time in 25 years" that the privilege of a reception in the Royal Gallery had been offered to a statesman from any country but a close Western ally. Well yes it was 25 years and nine months ago that party secretary Kosygin stood there, with Harold Wilson beaming beside him.

I found the press cuttings. 10 February 1967. With the ing the British PM called Kosygin an "old friend" whom "I personally know to judgment, warm in his

Peers and MPs cheered as the two men had called for "closer relations." including trade relations, to help the world towards the path to true and lasting peace". Vanity, all vanity.

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A church divided: 563 bishops, clergy and laity rule on women's ordination

Whips bring last waverers into line at synod

■ The issue of women's ordination could be settled by as few as one or two votes, but the repercussions within and beyond the Church of England will be massive

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

CHURCH pressure groups using parliamentary-style whipping tactics at the General Synod in Westminster yesterday tried to sway the handful of waverers who will swing today's decisive debate

nto

Weeks of threats to resign and allegations of heresy and schism were replaced by intensive lobbying by the Catho-lic. Evangelical and Liberal parties in the Church of England. Many described a new optimism that the vote on whether to allow the ordination of women priests might succeed today, after months of pessimistic forecasts that it was doomed to

Elaine Storkey, a leading Evangelical, said: Two days ago I would have said it would be defeated. Now I think it is just going to go through." She knew of four Evangelicals who have previously abstained but would vote in

The vote is so finely bal-anced that unwell and elderly members of the synod are being urged to vote at all costs. A sick bed and first aid

The Right Rev Peter Ball, Bishop of Gloucester, has always voted against but planned to abstain today. He recently moved to Gloucester, where a large majority supports women priests, from a diocese which is a bulwark of opposi-tion. Bishop Ball said: "I place the unity of Christ's church in the diocese before everything else. We must all lay down our lives on behalf of those who are against us."

Up to 1,000 priests could leave the church if the vote Ven David Silk, Archdeacon of Leicester, who will open and conclude the argument for the opposition in today's

The Rev Martin Flatman, a vicar in Oxford, said several

with them into the Roman Catholic church. Others would stop sending their collections into diocesan funds under the church's "quota" system, which helps to pay clergy stipends. Father 20 years of my life to the church. They have drawn blood out of a stone. I will wait for compensation, but I will leave if it goes through. Under a scheme also to be debated today if the women's ordination vote succeeds, the church will spend £11 million on financial provision for every 100 priests who leave

The Rev Joy Carroll, a deacon in Southwark, said:
"It would be very sad if 1,000 priests go, but there are 1,000 good women waiting to step roll, 32, said her contemporaries outside the church would not understand a vote against women priests. The church will not be able to say with credibility anything moral, spiritual or social if it

cannot get a basic issue of justice right."

The 563 synod members who will vote today have received up to 180 letters in the past four weeks. The lobbying follows a meeting of the synod in York in July, which indicated that today's vote could be lost narrowly in the house of laity. A twoall three houses of bishops, clergy and laity if it is to go through today.

The most intensive lobbying has been of the dozen or so waverers, most Evangelical, who have been bombarded with letters, telephone calls "friendly gestures" and Biblebased argument to win them over. Church insiders said about four were still undecided. The vote today could hang

House, where the Synod meets, no one was allowed to



Pressing issue: Susan Cole-King discussing with other synod members the value of women in the church and the measure to be debated today

waverer. Lobbyists from each group made the most of the last few hours before today's debate and vote.

The 150-strong Evangelical group, "Eggs", met yesterday lunchtime to pray for God's guidance. Mark Birchall, their chairman, has previouslot of lobbying and arm twisting," he said. The 180-member Catholic

oup and the 110-member Liberal Open Synod group both met on Monday night. The Rev Peter Geldard, chair-man of the Catholic group, said he had three whips: working on the waverers and Catholic group members. They have been acting to

support. Whatever the result. this is a no-win situation. Many people see this as a Rubicon." He believes a victory by one or two votes would not be a sufficient consensus

Brian McHenry, chairman of the Open Synod group, said: "Continuous conversations are going on around the building. It is not as formal as the parliamentary whips system. There is movement in the dergy and laity."
The General Synod is elect-

ed by the church's deanery synods. Nine out of ten deanery synods support women ests, according to David McClean, Professor of Law at Sheffield University and chairman of the house of Laity. Synod members do not have to vote according to the

eries or dioceses, and if to-day's vote fails the representa-tion by the synod of the church is certain to be questioned. Professor McClean said: "There is a climate of

expectation in the church." the movement for the ordination of women, yesterday befriended waverers to encourage them. She said: thought in this country is that women should be ordained

The Right Rev Richard Harries, the Bishop of Ox-ford, said: "Until now I have been pessimistic. But for the past few weeks I have had a quiet optimism that it is going

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After a 17-year debate, opposing factions decide church's future



Adie, Bishop of Guildford



For Dr George Carey will plead for unity





Against: the Rt Rev David Lunn may resign

TODAY at 10am, 17 years after the Church of England first debated women priests. the General Synod begins taking the final steps on one of the most divisive issues since the Reformation (Ruth The Priests (Ordination of

Women) measure will give the church the power in law to ordain women priests. If it is passed by a two-thirds majority in the three synodal houses of bishops, clergy and laity, it will be debated in both Houses of Parliament in June next year. It will then go forward for Royal Assent. The first woman could be ordained priest after July 1994.

The church has been debating the issue since 1975, when the general synod voted that there were no fundamental objections to the ordination of women priests. However, a motion to remove legal and other barriers was lost then and in 1978. In 1984, the General Synod agreed to bring forward legislation to permit the ordination of women priests.

A motion to ordain women



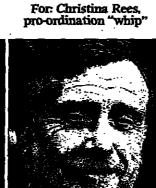
Against: the Rev Peter Geldard, key lobbyist

deacons was carried in 1985 and the first were ordained in 1987. In July last year, the synod debated the measure in York in the separate convoca-tions of Canterbury and York and in the house of laity. The bishops were 70.45 per cent in favour, the clergy 68.91 per cent and the laity 61.41 per

The Archbishop of York, Dr John Habgood, will chair this morning's debate. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, will take over after lunch and the vote will take place after 5pm.

The 53 bishops will ascend the platform in the debating chamber to vote. The 253 clergy and 257 laity will separate and pass through four doors, for and against. Dr Carey will announce the result and call for it to be received in silence.

The debate in favour will be opened by the Rt Rev Michael Adie, Bishop of Guildford, who will also have the last word. The case against will be led by the Ven David Silk, Archdeacon of Leicester. Synod members will speak for



Against the Ven David

ten minutes unless the chairman imposes a shorter limit. If the motion is carried, synod will vote on two related canons and the measure to give financial provision to clergy who leave the church.

The main arguments against are that the priest acts as a representative of Christ, that Jesus was male and those who represent Him should therefore be men. They say women are subordinate to men in the order of creation, that Jesus chose 12 male apostles and that the male priesthood is maintained by the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches and has been

tradition for 2,000 years. The main arguments in favour are that God is neither male nor female but embraces both, an all male priesthood reinforces patterns of inequality, an inclusive ministry would better represent the church community and the Bible proclaims the equality

of male and female. The debate will be televised on BBC2 from 2.15pm and be broadcast on Radio 4 long wave from 10.10am to 5pm.

EC curbs movement of cultural treasures

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRINSELS

EUROPEAN Community trade ministers yesterday agreed new rules restricting the movement of works of art and "cultural goods". The agreement, though watering down proposals originally made by the European Commission two years ago, will worry the London auction houses who fear there may be abuse of a clause which allows member states to claim back cultural goods they believe to have been ilegally exported.

Greece, which wanted export licences to be made compulsory for almost all archaeological finds, voted against the measure. Germany, which wanted more freedom of movement, abstained.

The agreement sets value thresholds above which export licences to third countries outside the EC will be obligatory. They are 15,000 Ecus (£12,200) for mosaics and maps, 50,000 Ecus for books and objects such as cars, and 100,000

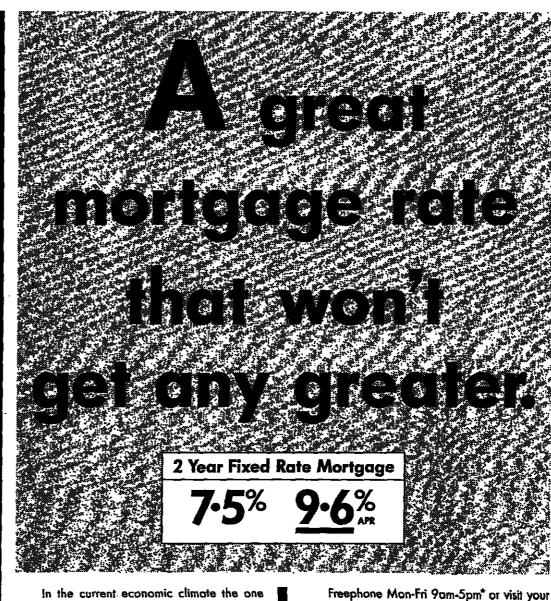
Ecus for paintings.

A work of art deemed to be a national treasure which has been illegally smuggled within the com-Munity can now be claimed back within 30 years if it was privately owned and within 75 years if it came from a public collection.

Jean Dondelinger, the EC culture minister whose team drafted the directive. said that if a sale was objected to by another country, prima facie evidence would have to be brought before a British court to prove that the work of art should not be sold.

The Department of National Heritage had feared it might have to issue up to 250,000 export licences a year just for archaeological

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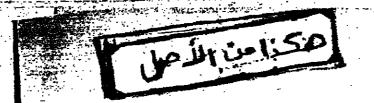
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Average family now needs £21,000 a year for basics

By JEREMY LAURANCE SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

A FAMILY of two children and two adults, one of whom goes out to work, requires an income of £21,000 a year to support a basic far from luxurious, standard of living.

researchers have found. The unexpectedly high income, more than £5,000 a year above average earnings. is necessary just to pay for rent, food, clothes, fuel and basic household items such as a TV, five-year-old car and one week's annual holiday. It would be enough to pay for a washing machine but not a tumble dryer, lipstick but not perfume, records and cassettes but not compact discs.

The shopping list, which only includes items owned by more than half the population. would cost £3 l 7 a week for this household. Described as "modest but adequate" by researchers from the Family Budget Unit at York University, it would bring a living standard "well above the requirements of survival but well below the level of luxury", they say in a report published

■ Keeping a family provided with what most people regard as the necessities of life costs over £300 a week but benefits provided by the state pay only £100

Rowntree Foundation. Costs for owner-occupiers are

A low-cost version of the budget, which allows nothing for drinking or smoking, includes fewer items (a day trip to Blackpool in place of an annual holiday) and based on the cheapest prices, would cost £141.40 for the same household. Only items regarded as necessities by at least three quarters of the population vere included. The total cost is £36 more than the family would receive in state benefits.

The researchers drew up their shopping lists based on consumer surveys, nutritional needs, energy use for certain sizes of house, and similar budgets produced in other

The sum for clothing -£29.27 a week for this family - was based on the cheapest items available in branches of C&A and food budgets (£58.67 for this family) based on 300 basic items priced by

Launching the report yesterday, Professor Jonathan Bradshaw of York University, who led the research, said the low cost budget would buy an "extremely mean" standard of living. "We took out of the 'modest' budget everything we felt could be taken out," he said. "It would be difficult to maintain anything but a very boring lifestyle."

Sainsburys.

Among lone parents, most of whom depend on state benefits, more than half fall below the low cost standard of living. The report shows that a family with two older children needs to spend 57 per cent more than a childless couple to maintain the same standard of living but a single man has to spend only two thirds as much. However, these differences are not reflected in income support rates which

Antiques, handmade or

Children's TVs, compact

A second car, caravan

Precious jewellery

Holiday abroad

Perfume, hair perm

Fishing, water sport

Spectacles, private

are proportionately more generous for single pensioners than for families with children.

Professor Bradshaw said the relative value of income support rates for different sections of the population had not been reassessed since 1942 and ought to be rethought from scratch".

The report shows that the

cost of providing a child with a basic standard of living is about £60 a week of which quarter goes on food and 13 per cent on clothes. Boys cost more than girls and single children are more expensive than siblings. Child benefit at £9.60 for the first child and £7.80 for subsequent children covers less than a fifth of this cost. Families on income support receive £19.20 for each child, intended to cover the whole cost of their care, which meets less than half the basic

Working parents who have young children have to meet high child care bills. Day care by a childminder for two children, one in a nursery class and one at primary school, is estimated to cost £60 a week for a mother working full time or £24 a week if she works mornings only. Costs per child are lower in a two-child family because they are shared.

Cuts in the real level of some social security benefits are widely expected to follow the government's Autumn Statement tomorrow but Professor Bradshaw said the unem-



Historic dress: Lucy McLoughlin models an evening dress made in 1933 for Wallis Simpson, later Duchess of Windsor, which goes under the hammer at Christie's in London on Tuesday. Designed by Jeanne Lanvin, of Paris, the dress was worn by Mrs Simpson at balls and dinner parties in the early years of her friendship with the Prince of Wales, later Edward VIII. It is the first

piece of her clothing to be offered for auction and is expected to fetch up to £1,500. The dress, made of blue silk, was given to Florence Mann, the mother of the vendor, who was cook to the wealthy American hostess Lady Furness and later worked on a freelance basis for Mrs Simpson. The prince and Mrs Simpson first met at Lady Furness's home in Gloucestershire.

Record number of soldiers charged

BY EDWARD GORMAN IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE number of soldiers facing criminal charges in connection with duty in Northern Ireland is believed to be higher than at any time since the Troubles began. The RUC announced yesterday that criminal proceedings will be taken against six members of the third battallion of the Parachute Regiment in connection with an alleged rampage through pubs in the nationalist village of Coalisland, Co Tyrone, in May,

The charges bring to 13 the number of soldiers now awaiting trial in Ulster. The total does not include any charges against members of the locally recruited Royal Irish

The alleged offences range from assault to attempted murder and murder. All but two of the soldiers are members of either the Royal Marines or The Parachute

An army spokesman said charges against 13 men was not particularly high when compared with the fact that approximately 11,000 men were on duty in Ulster from bases outside the province.

He denied that the figure suggested the army had a serious discipline problem in Northern Ireland. "Some people might want to conclude that, but we wouldn't," he said. "The training and discipline are such that we expect a lot from them and as far as possible they abide by it. There are times when they fall down and then they have to face the rigours of the law," he said.

Father Denis Faul, the Dungannon priest who has campaigned vigorously against abuses by the security forces, welcomed what he believes is evidence that the authorities are now taking seriously allegations against soldiers, where before they did not. "It simply means the police are attempting to carry out the law, which they did not do for the last 20 years."

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LIVING ON A BUDGET - WHAT THE POOR CAN AFFORD

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Second-hand 5-year-old

ployed should not be subject to a "further assault" on their living standards. "I am particluarly worried about a cut for families with children," Donald Dewar, Labour spokesman on social security, said the report's "crystal clear" message for the government was that there was no room for cutting social security benefits. Rises to be announced in the Autumn Statement "must match the rise in prices or there will be hardship and poverty for the poorest in society. Families already under great pressure will suffer in a move which will hurt millions but will do nothing to create jobs," he said.



Compulsory scheme starts in 1994

Water company to impose meters on 2m homes

By MARTIN WALLE

compulsory water meters are to be fitted in up to two million homes in East Anglia and surrounding areas because rising population in the region is running hand-inhand with falling rainfall. The move could price the traditional English garden out of the market, with customers of Anglian Water having to pay for every gallon that passes through their hosepipes.

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Anglian said yesterday that a programme of compulsory meter fitting would begin in April 1994, with up to 30,000 households chosen for the first year.

Anglian is the first of the ten privatised water companies in England and Wales to institute a formal timetable for the metering. Alan Smith, the managing director, said the programme would take 15 to 20 years to complete.

"Anglian Water has the lowest rainfall in the UK, half of the UK average, and it's got the highest population

growth." Mr Smith said.
"From the year 2000, we have
to find another way of charging." Anglian provides 1.5
million customers with water
and two million with sewerage services. "I'm afraid they
are going to have less choice
once we start the compulsory
programme," Mr Smith said.
He denied that a switch to

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He denied that a switch to metering would be more profitable for Anglian. The aim

Anglia has not yet selected the areas that will be metered first, but they will be where water sources are under most strain. The company will also put the first meters where fitting would he chearest for

fitting would be cheapest, for example where existing pipelines have to be renewed.

Metering has proved unpopular to consumer groups because it will worst affect those on lowest incomes, in houses with high occupation rates where consumption will

was to pitch the charges so that

an average home, using an

average amount of water,

would not pay more once the

changeover was made. But

consumers who washed cars

or watered gardens would be

"We're very conscious of the needs of poorer people." Mr Smith said. "Metering, yes, is likely to increase the charges on small houses, but frankly, so is every other system."

Anglia charges households an average annual fixed rate of £224, the second highest rate in England and Wales. Most garden sprinklers use 220 gallons an hour, equivalent to the consumption of an average family of four over two days. Anglian charges its few existing metered customers 0.25p a gallon, so the same sprinkler would cost 55p an

hour to run.

Another worry for house-holders would be an undetected break in the pipeline, which would make them liable to pay for water they were not aware was being lost. The cost over months could run into thousands of pounds. Mr Smith said Anglian was considering an insurance service for customers, otherwise, he admitted to concerned consumers: "You've got a

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Helping hand: Sir Ian McKellen opening the Aids centre yesterday

Actor sees pioneering Aids centre

SIR Ian McKellen joined patients, their relatives and nursing staff yesterday when he opened a centre for Aids sufferers named after a fellow actor and friend who died of the disease three years ago.

The Ian Charleson Centre at the Royal Free Hospital in Hampstead, northwest London, named after the Chariots of Fire actor offers day care and counselling, enabling those with Aids to live at home while receiving specialist treatment. It provides diagnostic and support facilities, with the aim of reducing hospital admissions and encouraging home care, and complementary therapies, including massage, relaxation and acupuncture.

Although officially opened yesterday, the centre has operated for more than a year. In the past 12 months, hospital admissions have fallen by 50 per cent, a trend welcomed by patients and staff alike.

The centre's HIV testing service gives "same day" results. Patients are encouraged to call in at any time to share any wornes about their medical condition.

DTI men questioned in grants enquiry

The Department of Trade and Industry's East Midlands regional director and a member of the department's Liverpool staff have been questioned and bailed by Merseyside detectives investigating allegations of a £1 million fraud involving government grants.

Police sources yesterday said that a number of businessmen had also been questioned and that more civil servants faced police interviews. The case concerns an ice cream manufacturer based in Merseyside and grants over the past three to four years for job creation that are being examined by officers from the Merseyside fraud squad.

The two men bailed are Bob Anderson, formerly based in Liverpool and now East Midlands regional director of the department, and John McCann, an executive officer in the Liverpool branch office. Police say that the arrests were made some weeks ago and that both men have been released on police bail until next month pending further enquiries.

A spokeswoman for the trade department confirmed that both men were suspended from duty pending the outcome of the police investigation, but the department would not comment further yesterday.

Dockyard jobs warning

The speculated closure of Rosyth dockyard in Fife could have a much wider impact than previously estimated, with the loss of 18,000 jobs and £370 million from the economy. Schools could close, local unemployment would rise to 30 per cent and a key training facility for apprentices would cease to exist, says a report published yesterday for Fife Regional Council, Dunfermline District Council, the Fraser of Allander Institute, and St Andrews University. The neighbouring naval base would inevitably close.

Long-haul trips boom

Thousands of out-of-work people are spending their redundancy pay on expensive long-haul holidays, encouraging tour operators to scour the world fur ever more exotic destinations for clients wanting to forget the recession. In the year to August, the long-haul market grew by 7 per cent, according to a survey by the holiday group. Thomson. Keith Betton, of the Association of British Travel Agents, said: "Long-haul... works out mile for mile cheaper than staying in resorts in Europe."

Plea for conjugal visits

Conjugal and family visits for long-term or high-security prisoners in special suites within prisons are being considered by the Home Office. Ian Dumbar, director of inmate administration, confirmed yesterday that an official had examined the system used in Canada to see if there was an improvement in the prison atmosphere. A Home Office survey of 4,000 prisoners had shown that conjugal visits was the change wanted by the highest proportion — 30 per cent — of prisoners.

Murder suspect bailed

A man detained last weekby detectives seeking the murderer of II-year-old Lesley Molseed, right, who was killed 17 years ago, was released yesterday on police bail. A report on the case has been sent to the Director of Public Prosecutions. The 48-year-old man was arrested last Friday on his release from Armley jail, Leeds, at the end of a sentence. He was questioned over the weekend.



Couple win libel case

A former secretary of the North Wales Police Federation and his wife accepted substantial undisclosed libel damages in the High Court yesterday over a newspaper article which wrongly said the wife was having an affair. The report in *The People* in March followed a complaint to the North Wales Police Authority by Harry Templeton that the then deputy chief constable was having an affair with a junior officer's wife. The newspaper stated that the complaint had concerned adultery by his own wife.

Thief grabs judge's wig

A thief sneaked into the chambers of Judge Hugh Jones at Cardiff County Court and stole his horsehairwig, valued at £500, and its box. Court officials were said to be "very, very embarrassed". A lawyer said: "To say the judge was displeased is an understatement. A well-used wig shows some kind of authority and experience so it's no good just going out to get a new one." Judge Jones, a county court judge since 1988 and a circuit judge for nearly a year, was not available for comment.

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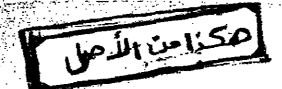
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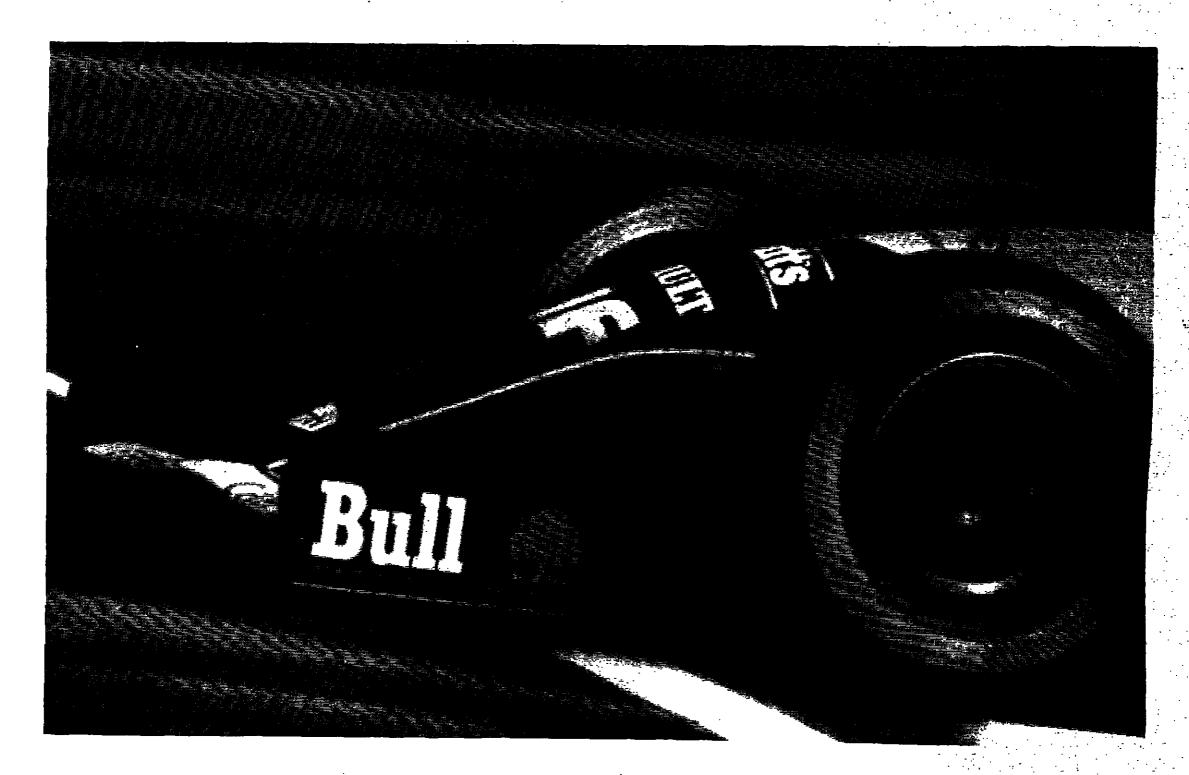
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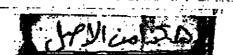


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Red tape threatens to ruin rail sale, managers predict

TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

GOVERNMENT proposals to break up and sell the national rail network are excessively bureaucratic and will have to be simplified if privati-sation is to be successful, rail

managers say.

The proliferation of new bodies that ministers believe will be needed to regulate the privatised railway could, moreover, scare off many companies who have expressed interest in the scheme, independent rail analysts predict.

The twin warnings come on the eve of tomorrow's deadline for private sector companies to respond to the government's proposals for franchising passenger services, and weeks before the rail privatisation bill is due to be put before Parlia-ment, probably around Christ-mas, for royal assent next

Under British Rail's existing management structure, 25 di-visional managers run the route networks that make up the national rail system. They are responsible to the managing directors who run the three passenger businesses,

As Parliament prepares for the rail privatisation bill, rail managers and private sector interests fear that the sell-off could be overwhelmed by bureaucracy

InterCity, Network SouthEast and Regional Railways, who in turn are answerable to the British Rail board. The command structure covers all aspects of railway operations, from the acquisition of rolling stock to the monitoring of

Under privatisation, rail infrastructure would be separated from services, BR would be broken up into its component parts and its command struc-ture would be replaced by a contractual structure. A series of contracts would be needed to regulate the matrix of relations between the new rail bodies, which would result in a substantial increase in

bureaucracy. Railtrack, for example, the BR subsidiary which would run the track and signalling systems, would be responsible for charging private sector operators a fee for running their trains on the network. A new regulator would vet track charges to ensure that they

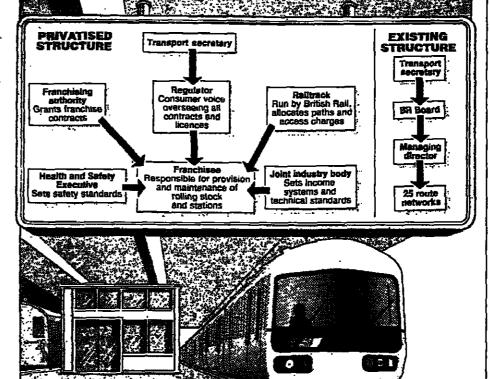
The regulator would also have to work closely with the new franchising authority. which would be responsible for drawing up the conditions for the new passenger fran-chises, including the level and quality of services. Private sector operators, having successfully bid for a franchise, would then have to obtain an operating licence from the regulator and negotiate track charges and train paths with

Franchisees would have to acquire rolling stock, make provision for its maintenance and negotiate access to any stations that may be sold to private sector developers. Franchisees would also have to deal directly with the new Joint Industry Body, responsi-

tween companies running services on the same track, and the Health and Safety Executive, responsible for ensuring

As well as the formidable complexity of the new system, privatisation also raises questions about how the new service would work when things went wrong. What would happen, for instance, if a franchisee went bust? The government says that the franchising authority would have the power to run the concession. But could that be done without disrupting services? If so, who would pay? Moreover, what would happen if the leasing company demanded its trains returned? Private sector companies

that have won franchises could find themselves in competition with other private sector companies interested only in running trains on certain routes. under the open access provi-sions of rail privatisation. These provisions will effectively encourage rail operators to concentrate their services around the most profitable



bility of franchisees. Privatisation could also reaten the financial viability of rail freight. At present, British Rail's freight operation is required merely to pay a marginal cost for its use of railway infrastructure. If, under the new charging regime, rail freight had to pay its full costs, there would most

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likely be a move from rail to roads. That would undermine government's commitroads to rail.

Finally, the new system for subsidising loss-making ser-vices would make the detailed finances of the railways more transparant than they have been. After privatisation, BR's block grant for unprofitable services would gradually be replaced with a series of specific grants awarded to franchisees, which would match the needs of individual loss-mak-

ing routes It would soon become clear which lines need most subsidy and, critics fear, which could

Motorist trapped overnight

A MOTORIST who was trapped in his car for eight hours after an accident managed to struggle clear of the wreckage only after breaking a hole in the rear windscreen.

Peter Beer, 58, from Taunton, Somerset, lost control of his Rover saloon on the M5 and catapulted over a safety barrier. The vehicle plunged down a steep embankment and rolled on to its roof,

trapping him in a deep ditch out of sight of passing drivers. He struggled for eight hours to scramble clear, fearing the wreckage would burst into flames at any moment. "I thought someone must have seen the accident and would come to my rescue, but time passed and no one arrived. I could hear the motorway traffic but nobody could see me

and I had to wait until dawn to see what I was doing. "Eventually I knew I would have to get out myself and ried to kick out the back windscreen but couldn't manage it. In the end I had to take the head rest off the front seat and use that."

Mr Beer managed to squeeze through a 12-inch gap in the rear windscreen and raise the alarm.

Teachers criticise head of care home

STAFF at a home for some of the country's most dangerous children have passed a vote of no confidence in their director. Teachers at the Newton Aycliffe Centre in co. Durham accused Dr Masud Hoghughi, in a letter sent to Durham's social services department, of "eccentric and extravagant" management (Paul Wilkinson writes).

The move coincides with the publication of a report by the county council which rejects complaints of physical abuse of children at the centre, but says staff should stop using armlocks to restrain them.

Dr Hoghughi, 54, has been at the forefront of innovatory work on dealing with disruptive youngsters and the centre for young serious offenders has anracted experts from all over the world. But the centre has also attracted complaints about the way it operates.

Academic staff now say they are concerned about Dr Hog-The motion of no confidence was supported by 28 of the centre's 32 teachers. In the letter, they said: "We no longer believe Dr Hoghughi's image. style or policies are in the best

interests of the centre." Dr Hoghughi was on holiday yesterday, but a spokes-man for the centre's independent board of managers said: "We would never suggest he is incompetent in any way."

A CIVIL dispute between the

Crown and the Earls of Devon

has been settled after more

Under an agreement an-

nounced yesterday, the two

sides are to divide ownership

of the bed of the Exe estuary.

in Devon, which has been in

dispute since 1840 when

Isambard Kingdom Brunel

bought land on the north side

of the estuary to extend his

Great Western Railway from

Brunel was reportedly in

such a hurry to build the line

that when both the Crown

and the then earl claimed

ownership, he agreed to pay them both. Since then, both

sides have argued that the

conveyances proved they owned the bed of the estuary.

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Dispute over estuary

ends after 152 years

By JOHN YOUNG

Dale wins back its wayward cheese

By PAUL WILKINSON

PUBLIC pressure has ensured that Wensleydale cheese will again be made in the Yorkshire dale where until last August, when Dairy Crest switched production to Lancashire, it had been produced since medieval times.

The decision by manage-ment in Thames Ditton, Surrey, to end cheese-making at its creamery at Hawes in Wensleydale and transfer it across the Pennines was greeted by outrage. A cam-paign was launched and this week Dairy Crest announced a management buy-out that will return the cheese to its eponymous dale.

Peter Annison, a campa committee member, said: "We were convinced Dairy Crest was determined that cheese production would not start again at the creamery, but the public clamour has made them think again."

all those who had fought not only to keep the cheese in its rightful home, but also to preserve jobs at what was a big employer in the town.

Dairy Crest said it was always prepared to sell the business as a going concern provided the price was right. Only eight people will find work initially, ten more by the

end of the year and another

deadlock until last year when

Lord Courtenay, a consultant

chartered surveyor and son of

the present earl, threatened to

take the matter to court. The

case was listed for a three-week

hearing, but has now been

Under the agreement, the Courtenay family will pay a

nominal sum to keep most of

the river near their home,

Powdernam Castle, while the

Crown Estates will retain the

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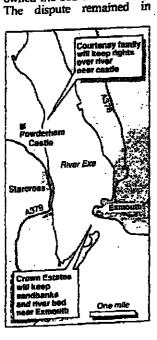
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The agreement is also expected to encourage conservation of the estuary, which is a designated site of special scientific interest and an important breeding and wintering area for birds.

yachtsmen who use the river.

Lord Courtenay said yesterday that his family had owned most of the estuary since they bought the Manor of Kenton in the 17th century. But the Crown disputed their claim when Brunel decided to build the railway.

We should finalise the agreement in the next couple of weeks, and the only minor hold-up is that the sandbanks have moved even since the most recent charts and maps were made," he said. "The dispute has lasted so long because neither side has actually taken it to court."

Independent girls' schools threaten to boycott tests

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

schools yesterday threatened to boycott next year's national curriculum tests for 14-yearolds, as their president launched a wide-ranging at-tack on government education

In her opening address to the annual conference of the Girls Schools Association. Elizabeth Diggory, the head-mistress of St Albans High School, criticised increasing ministerial intervention in the national curriculum, called for the reform of A levels and said that present methods of testing risked damage to the wider education of children.

The criticism, which reflects growing unease in the independent sector, came from a source normally loyal to the government. While welcom-ing the government's praise for independent education in the white paper which formed the basis for the education bill currently before parliament. Miss Diggory regretted the tone of ministerial comments on the teaching profession.

At a press conference yester-day, Miss Diggory said she hoped ministers would take "sensibly educationally moti-vated" bodies such as the association into partnership in framing policy. "I believe the independent sector has a role at the moment to draw attention to the concerns felt by all

Speaking immediately be-fore Baroness Blatch, the education minister, Miss Diggory criticised the "denigration of professionalism" in this summer's white paper. She called for the establishment of a general teaching council to restore public esteem for

Challenging the need for such regular changes in the national curriculum, as well as the style and scale of testing, she acknowledged that she was questioning the very basis

INDEPENDENT girls of government policy on the curriculum. Independent schools, which can choose whether to participate in the tests and the curriculum itself, were reluctant to withdraw from the system, but doubted the need for tests at 14 and were concerned about their possible effects.

"There is a danger that oversimplified testing will have the very opposite of the results intended because too much rote learning of facts will make young minds less adaptable, and we could lose valuable and we could lose valuable skills," she said. "Are we not at risk of confusing knowledge

with learning?"

Heads of several girls schools are considering a with-drawal from next year's tests.

The conference, in Bristol, will debate the issue tomorrow, when it will be addressed by Lord Griffiths of Fforestfach the chairman of the School Examinations and Assess-

ment Council.

Lady Blatch, in a defensive address, appealed to delegates to wait to see the outline of assessment in 1993, which would take account of criticisms of this year's pilots. She acknowledged that she

had been greeted with "hollow laughter" in trying to reassure the association that the government valued teachers' contributions. But she refused to disown a passage in the white paper stating that parents know "better even than our most excellent teachers". ☐ Miss Diggory, one of the senior figures in independent education, used her confer-

sufferers from breast cancer, which she contracted during her term as president of the Although her activities were Christmas, Miss Diggory maintained a full programme of engagements during her year of office.

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Arms and the man: Ray Hemmett of

of Gibraltar, which will be returned English Heritage nears the end of eight years of restoration work on John Singleton Copley's giant Siege by 25ft oil painting, completed by

the American artist in 1791, was removed during the second world war, a few months before the building received a direct hit. It was

rolled up and stored at Swallowfield Park in Berkshire and from 1947 at, Newbury, but became damaged. After restoration is completed, Cop-

ley's masterpiece will be rolled and stored again until it can be given pride of place in a hell art gallery, which opens at Guildhall in 1996.

Lawyers test video link to jails

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

BARRISTERS will be able to talk to their clients in prison via live video link under a trial scheme run jointly with the Home Office and the Bar. The video-conferencing pro-ject is to be set up at Dorches-

ter and Shrewsbury prisons. If extended nationally, it could save millions of pounds a year in criminal legal aid spent on barristers and solicitors visiting prisoners and in waiting

Instead of teams of counsel travelling across the country,

barristers will be able to speak to prisoners from the Bar's ter responsible. The idea was video-conferencing studio close to Lincoln's Inn in London, for the cost of a telephone call. Prisoners will use a specially equipped room in the prisons. The Bar's studio will also be linked with a studio in Birmingham, so barristers from the Midlands can be in easy reach of clients

at Shrewsbury.

Approval for the project came after discussions between the Bar and Peter put forward in a recent report by the Bar as one of a range of measures to tackle problems in the Crown Court and cut costs

and delays.

Robert Seabrook QC, chairman of the committee that produced the report, said:

"The whole business of access. to prisoners is a huge obstacle both for solicitors and barristers. I hope the Home Office is going to accord the project a high priority."

The way it isn't

landmarks in a writer's life: the first book published, the first good review, the first bad review, the first disappointed glance at the bestseller list, the first book remaindered, and so on. In a couple of weeks, I will reach a major landmark of my own: my first

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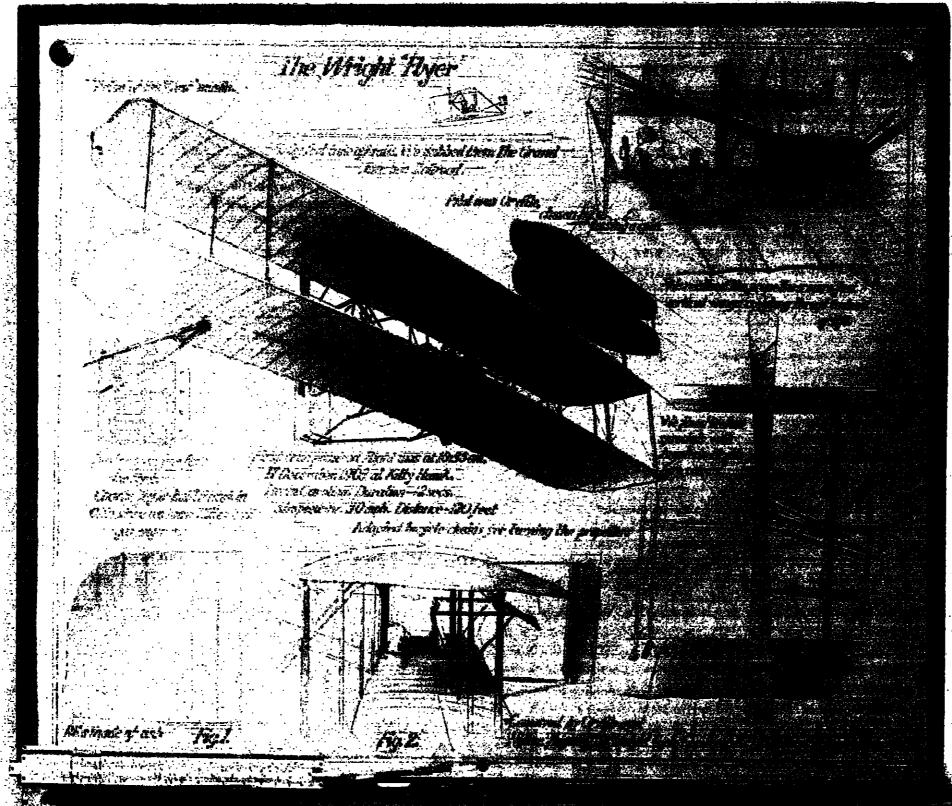
It seems obligatory for authors to speak of book-signings with a world-weary air of resignation. Only Edward Heath has had the books remained free of his signature. Personally, I have been excited by the prospect ever since its announcement. honesty to admit to enjoying What could be more pleasurthe process, hiring trains, able than writing your own planes and automobiles to name over and over again while people quein with copies of your book, from scour every bookshop in the land so that no copy of his

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the horizon. Ten years ago, I wrote a sports book with my brother David. He persuaded a friend who worked for W. H Smith in Watford to let him sign the store's only copy. The next morning, it was bought by an old woman Alas that very afternoon she returned, comp-laining that someone had been scribbling in her book. "Oh no, madam!" said the friend proudly, "THAT is the author's signature!" author's signature!"

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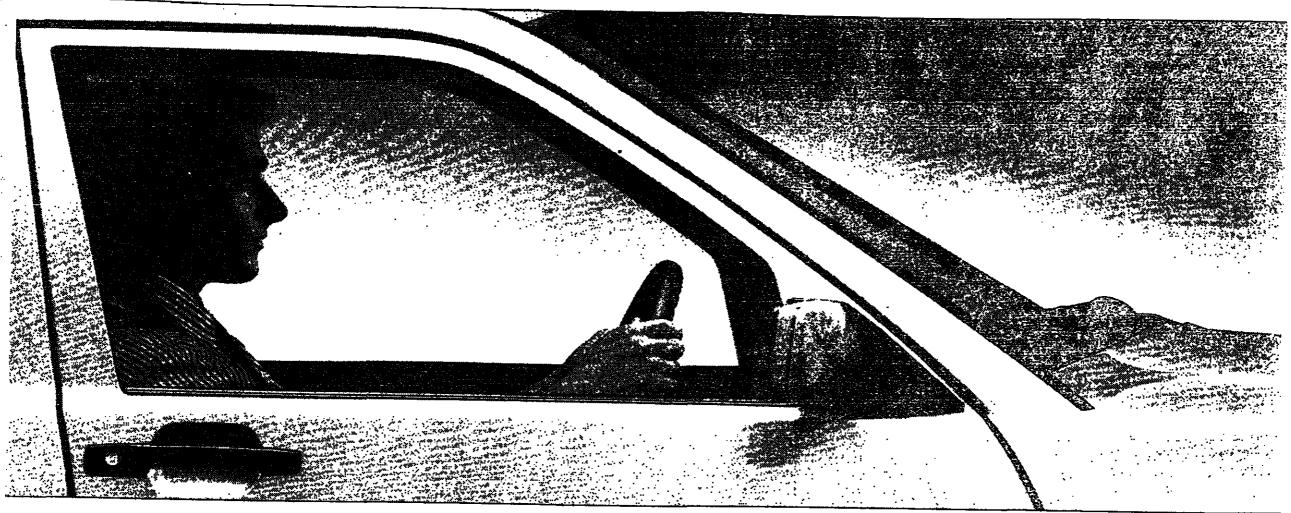
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Iraq export trial highlights duplicity and deception behind trade in weapons

The duplicity of the British government's attitude to selling arms to Iraq, as revealed in the secret documents released on Monday, reveals a deeper dishonesty and irresponsibility than is normal. even in the arms trade.

Anyone who has looked into past arms scandals will recognise a familiar pattern of disaster: government departments pursuing opposite policies; intelligence agencies encouraging arms sales to gain influence and information about the enemy; commercial pressures overriding diplomatic controls: governments confidently lying until the last possible moment.

Some of the actions in the Matrix-Churchill scandal appear unusually irresponsible and dangerous, even in this dangerous world. The most worrying is the apparent incompetence of M16, which appears to have been so enthralled by the links with Iraq that arms sales could provide that it showed no real concern with the danger that Saddam might use the weapons against the West and gave

The dangers of irresponsible arms exports have never been greater than at present, and it is up to MPs to demand proper controls, writes Anthony Sampson, right

stopped by customs on its way to Iraq, I was assured that Number 10 had no previous knowledge of it. If that was so, it was a staggering failure of communication with intelligence, who had connived in an arms deal without supplying the information they had gained.

The most extraordinary feature

of the story is the frivolity of Alan Clark, the minister who was determined to defy his own government's official policy, who actively encouraged arms exports at a time of supposedly strict embargo, with the knowledge of other key ministers. He was so brazen in his duplicity that when The Sunday Times first revealed his approval of

the arms sales he promptly sued; yet now freely admits it. There is nothing new about

pretending that military equipment intended for peaceful purposes: ships and aircraft are frequently dressed up for fishery patrol, cropspraying or humanitarian purposes - the "paint-it-blue syndrome" as the Americans call it. What was new about the Clark approach was the active zest and pride in encouraging the flouting of the law, without fear of the consequences.

N o parliament can tolerate such contempt for public policy. For unless this subversion of embargos is forcefully denounced, no one will have reason to take any future British embargo seriously. The enquiry must not just establish blame about the past, but ensure that there will be effective safeguards for the future.

The dangers of irresponsible arms exports have never been greater than at present, when the former Soviet Union is breaking apart into potentially warlike components; when the Gulf powers are competing to rebuild their arsenals: when Iran is again taking over from Iraq as a profitable market for arms-sellers, and a potential danger to the West; and when Britain is still more desperate to step up Since the Gulf war, John Major's

government has presented itself as seriously seeking agreements and controls of arms sales, to prevent a repetition of the dangerous process of arming enemies. Mr Major himself has claimed credit for promoting the idea of an arms register at the UN to which all major powers would provide details of their arms transfers, a process which is still going through much work and study. Britain has joined

with the other four permanent either for shooting Armenians, or members of the security council — for a future war against neighwhich between them supplied Saddam with most of his weaponry - to try to prevent a repetition of the Iraq disaster. And the government is seeking - it claims - to make its aid to Third World countries conditional on their limiting spending on arms.

B ut what kind of credence can anyone give to these policies, in the light of the fiasco of arms selling to Iraq? What sort of information about arms sales would Britain supply to the UN, or to anyone else, if the Clark syndrome is allowed to continue? What winks, nudges and titters would accompany the compiling of the official lists, while disguised weap-

onry is smuggled overseas?

Already there is disturbing evidence of Britain's continued irresponsibility in arms-selling. Earlier rhis year I heard from a first-hand source that a delegation from Azerbaijan was seeking to buy a large quantity of Soviet-made weapons from Britain: weapons which were doubtless intended

bours. The British defence sales organisation confirmed, to my amazement, that they were considering giving a licence.

When I discussed the deal with the Foreign Office I was assured by a senior official that they would veto any such arms sale to the former Soviet Union. But now, in the light of the Mairix-Churchill documents, any such assurance sounds meaningless. For all I know the weapons may already be on their way through Turkey, packed in convenient red-cross crates, on their way to Azerbaijan to prepare for the next shoot-out.

The basic lesson of the Matrix-

Churchill revelations is that anyone concerned with controlling arms sales is wasting his time in having a serious dialogue with the govern-ment. Ministers condoned and covered up the arms deals with Iraq with apparent confidence that they were protected by their "public interest immunity"; and most of them, including Michael Heseltine at the board of trade, are still there. It is now perfectly clear, if it was

attempt to control arms exports requires a far more rigorous and independent safeguard than anything the Foreign Office or the Cabinet Office can provide. The UN arms register will be a cruical and expensive farce unless the British government, and the others, can be prevented from feeding it with dishonest facts; and no one who has looked at this week's evidence will bother to believe it.

The judicial enquiry should be able to reveal how so many people in government were able to defy official policy for so long, with no effective whistleblowing, protests or resignations.

But we already know enough to know that the system of control and supervision is pathetically inadequate. And it is up to MPs to press for a select committee with real powers to ensure that they will not continue to be lied to, on questions which affect the future peace of the

Anthony Sampson's Essential Anatomy of Britain has just been published by Hodder and Stoughton.

Promise to hold enquiry defuses alarm of Tory MPs

By Nicholas Wood, political correspondent

THE promise of a full, independent enquiry into the arms-for-Iraq controversy helped to defuse some of the anxieties of Conservative MPs fearful that their accidentprone government had finally run out of road.

One senior MP said that MPs had been "holding their heads in their hands" after waking up to headlines suggesting that the government had secretly connived at arms sales to Iraq while publicly supporting an arms embargo since 1984. Others spoke of their "alarm" that the prime minister and cabinet colleagues had been apparently implicated in such double-

Although serious doubts remained, there was later relief that an immediate crisis had been averted. Many MPs applauded the way the prime minister had moved so swiftly to deal with allegations impugning his own integrity and that of several of his senior colleagues. Tory backbenchers remained concerned that al-though Mr Major had bought himself a breathing space, the judge's enquiry into the alleged contradictions between the government's public posture after the arms embargo was imposed in 1984 and its private deliberations could

prove damaging. Richard Shepherd, Tory

MP for Aldridge Brownhills, questioning the attorney general. Sir Nicholas Lyell, on his announcement of an enquiry. warned ministers that they were in danger of misleading the House. Mr Shepherd, a campaigner against Whitehall secrety, said: "Is there not a question of trust between this House and its ministers that when we are told a policy is such it is such and there is not deviation from the honour and integrity of government in relation to this House?"

John Wilkinson, MP for Ruislip Northwood, also made it clear that he had serious doubts about the way ministers had behaved. "Why did not the three departments of state, namely foreign affairs, defence and trade and industry, immediately make known what was ultimately known to the court and thereby prevent the necessity of this

unnecessary trial?" Sir Teddy Taylor, Tory MP for Southend East, said the government had faced an "impossible problem" in seeking to uphold sanctions ignored by other countries such as Germany. "Britain is really the mug of the sanctions game time and time again."

Another Tory said he believed that the sales of equipment with a potential military use was justified on intelligence grounds. "It was a



Sir Nicholas Lyell: attempting to disarm the Iraqi armaments row

dassic intelligence operation selling them arms to gain control over their country and to gather secrets. The trouble is you cannot get up in the House of Commons and say that " He also admitted that he was baffled by the prosecution of the three businessmen.

Enquiry announced, page i Bryan Appleyard, page 16 Leading article, page 17

Judge in the new mould

By Frances Gibb LEGAL CORRESPONDENT one of the younger, bright judges in the new mould. He was educated in South Africa and then at Trinity College Cambridge, where he was a rugby Blue. Now he is a keen huntsman and also enjoys tennis and bridge.



noses of the Western powers.

review in 1994. Even the register's framers are sceptical. Herbert Wulf, from Hamburg University, a member of the expert group, said yesterday that he had mixed feelings about the initiative. "Some important categories of weapon are not included. If we look at the war in Yugoslavia, the kind of things that are being used are

siles. It will not record sales of

UN arms control watchdog shows no sign of waking

LESS than a year after the "dual use" hardware, which United Nations called for an international arms register with the loud support of John Major, the Matrix Churchill affair has discredited the government's drive to reduce secrecy in the weapons trade, and cast doubt on the future of

the register itself. The UN General Assembly's 150-vote resolution last December followed strong declarations by the Group of Seven summit in London and the five permanent members of the security council, reflecting a growing belief that greater openness or "transparency" was a precondition of any serious arms control. Governments queued up to pay lip service to the register, which was to be the showpiece of post-Gulf war diplomacy, the accord which would prevent another Saddam building up an arms stockpile under the

Eleven months later, this well-intentioned blueprint for action has slipped off the political and diplomatic agenda, while bureaucrats have beavered away at its fine print. The current general assembly session is to consider the strong expert group, with a view to publishing the first register next autumn, in which recipients and suppliers will report conventional weapon deliveries. Arms production will be included after a further

small arms, mortars and hand grenades, which are not on the

The register will cover battle tanks, armoured combat vehicles, large calibre artillery sys-tems, combat aircraft, attack helicopters, warships and mis-

AROUND LOBBY

BY MATTHEW D'ANCONA

can have a civil as well as a military application, such as the machine tools sold to Iraq by Matrix Churchill. The question of enforce

ment has also raised doubts about the viability of the register, which will be voluntary and unsupported by sanctions. Frank Barnaby, defence analyst and former director of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, said that, without teeth, it would achieve little. "The major problem with the register i that it's not compulsory, which makes it pretty useless.

The pressures of the reces sion and the end of the Cold War have in any case forced arms salesmen to be more aggressive, more devious and less amenable to international control. "What is not clear is what the ex-Soviet republics are doing," Professor Barnaby said. "But Russia is straining every muscle to sell and its arms are heading everywhere especially to the Middle East. Iran is having a tremendous buying spree. In a recession the last thing you want to do is

to cut the arms trade." The traders themselves recommendations of an 18- shrug their shoulders at the prospect of a centralised record of their activities. Sam Cummings, chairman of Interarms, the largest private arms company in the world. said yesterday: "I think it's one of those wonderful ideas in principle but in practice nothing will change. The gov-ernments are still the real traders and they tend to classify that sort of thing."

Arts may go private

The government yesterday announced two studies to find out whether local authority arts facilities and library services should be run by private firms. Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, said he would commission a study into the way that councils run entertainments. He added that he was considering allowing private companies to run library services.

Jobs pledge

Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, dismissed reports that up to 9,000 jobs could be lost if the government closes London teaching hospitals as "ridiculous, irresponsible and scaremongering."

Making work

Building the London Underground Jubilee line extension would create about 5,000 on-site jobs and about five times as many off-site, Steve Norris, London's transport minister, said in a written reply.

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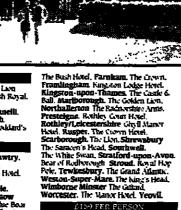
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LORD Justice Scott, the Court of Appeal judge from the Chancery division who will head the arms-for-irao enquiry, has already cut his teeth on controversies involv-

ing the government. He took a robust stance when he presided over the first Spycatcher hearing in 1987, refusing government injunctions restraining newspaper publication of extracts of the memoirs of Peter Wright Later he made a speech warning of the dangers of government legisla-tion on confidentiality, saying judges should be left to develop the law and to reflect society's needs.



in Spycatcher hearing

Lord Justice Scott, 58, is Company to seek compensation

By LIN JENKINS

MATRIX Churchill, the company at the centre of the row over the government's role in helping Iraq to develop an armaments industry, is to seek millions of pounds compensa-tion for losses caused by the invasion of Kuwait.

The company's receiver said it would be among 1,000 British firms putting in a claim next year. While the two principal arms of the business have been sold, Stephen Hancock, of Price Waterhouse, said yesterday that it was his job to recover as much money

as possible for the creditors. The claim could be in the region of £5 million. The system set up through the United Nations provides compensation for individuals

and companies who have suffered loss through the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Prior to August 1990 the company was undertaking a lot of contracts with machines being sold in that part of the world and those contracts were disrupted." he said. The precise grounds for claims are still not clear, but

the government has invited companies to put in submis-

sions in the new year. Matrix Churchill, which was Iraqi owned at the date of the invasion, was bought by Automation Investments, par-ent company of BSA Tools in Birmingham, which was to be prosecuted by customs later this month over the export of machine tools to Iraq. Matrix Churchill went into receivership in July, with the loss of almost 1.000 jobs. Last month the Matrix grinding machine part of the business was acquired by Transtec, and the Churchill lathe operation has gone back to Automation In-

Future of Ulster talks in doubt

By Edward Gorman ireland correpondent THE talks on the future of Northern Ireland came to an end yesterday without agreement and with a serious question mark now hanging

over the possibility of a resumption. A joint statement agreed by the participants and read on the steps of Stormont by Sir Ninian Stephen, the former governor general of Australia and chairman of strand two, suggested that all

parties believed the original Objectives were still achievable and valid. The statement said the parties had a clear understanding of each other's position and were now prepared to continue

mal consultations. This mood of cautious optimism, which is likely to be mirrored by Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, in the Commons today was not evident in at least two of the four

the dialogue through infor-

main party leader's comments

John Alderdice, leader of the non-sectarian Alliance, said the talks had become a "failed opportunity" all the more tragic because in each delegation there had been people willing to do a deal.

Ian Paisley the DUP leader, said he believed the talks are now finished for good. He blamed the Irish and British governments and John Hume, the SDLP

What future for Europe?



Nigel Lawson, the former Chancellor left), and Tom Peters. the management guru (right), will speak on vital European issues at The Times/Dillons European Forum



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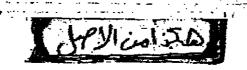
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EUROPEAN leaders yesterday renewed their calls for a quick end to the impasse in the world trade talks amid signs that the disputes of the past week have weakened French opposition to a farm subsidy deal with Americal

Germany stepped up pres-sure on France when Klaus Kinkel, the foreign minister, said that a deal would have to be done even if French farmers "storm the city halls". John Major told the House of Commons that he wanted to see an agreement in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) talks "in a matter of weeks at the

outside". A meeting of Gatt ambassadors in Geneva instructed Arthur Dunkel, the organ-isation's director-general, to fly to Brussels and Washington to help restart talks. Euro-pean Commission spokesmen said that Mr Dunkel would not be acting as a broker for detailed howevisian detailed bargaining.

Jacques Delors, president of

FOR a quick lesson on

France's obstructive stance at

the world trade negotiations,

take a look at an unlikely hit

now nestling high among the heavy metal and teen tunes of

the Paris pop charts.
Called Les Mariés de Vendée, the record is a folk song about a peasant wedding in

western France. In the video,

played endlessly on the rock charmels, Anais and Didier

Barbelivien, decked in 17th-

century smocks, farm gear and electric guitar, belt out

the rock song while dancing jigs with the farmworkers.

The success of the song and

video, set centuries from the

Euro-furore over Gatt (the General Agreement on Tariffs

and Trade), explains eloquent-

ly why France, from factory

workers to opposition politi-

cians, stands firm behind

President Mitterrand in his

seemingly irrational determ-

ination to risk trade war with

Washington and isolation

among his country partners

over the humble sunflower.

The great majority of the

French may now live in the

towns and cities, but la

campagne and its traditions

are the landscape of the

French soul. That psyche is

already wounded enough by

the heavy new cuts in subsi-

dies from the common agri-

cultural policy, the bountiful machine that Charles de

Gaulle crafted three decades

ago as France's price for

entering into partnership with defeated Germany.

that the family farms that

dominate much of the land-

scape must give up more of

their livelihood to the Ameri-

cans, of all people, stirs high

emotion. The equivalent in

Britain would be, say, a

German demand that Eng-

land should start scrapping

Britain and other more densely populated states of

the North broke their rural rie

a century or decades earlier

than France, which still has a

million small farmers. The

country also boasts a highly

efficient and adaptable farm

sector, boosting France's pos-

ition as the second biggest

food exporter in the world

While market forces reign

around the world, an army of experts, including economists

and sociologists, are fighting

after America.

cricket pitches and pubs.

Rational or not, the idea

colza and soybean.

French stay loyal

to peasant roots

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

intense that now even France is talking of a deal being reached in a matter of weeks

Pressures to avert a trade war are so

the European Commission which negotiates trade policy for the 12 EC states, said in The Hague that he hoped for a deal before the Community's summit in Edinburgh on De-cember 11. M Delors said that he was more optimistic than he had been ten days ago because EC foreign ministers had agreed a "common position, a dynamic position, with goodwill to conclude a fair and balanced agreement on

Monday.
M Delors also welcomed the direct involvement of Mr Dunkel in helping to break the deadlocked trade negotia-tions. But he was outraged by suggestions that he had intervened to prevent a deal on the crutial oilseeds issue at talks in Chicago last week Ray MacSharry, the EC farm commissioner, resigned last week as chief negotiator in the trade

to justify the need to maintain

national and Community sub-

sidies that reached about £10

billion a year in the late

La France Agricole renders

triple service, says Jean

Dupuis, a businessman and banker who heads "Earth and

Civilisation", an agricultural lobby group. "These are assuring the security of food supplies, husbanding the land and transmitting the rhythms

of nature to the human envi-

ronment." The fall of the

Roman Empire gave birth to French civilisation through the countryside, M Dupuis and like thinkers say. With-out thriving small farms,

France would no longer exist.

The government must intro-

duce a special fiscal regime and other mechanisms to

wrote in Le Monde this week.

Armand Fremont, a distin-

rished academic who is rec-

tor of the Versailles education

authority, says a policy must

of life that preserves "the

ineffable beauties of France".

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Whatever course is followed.

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Almost all senior politi-

cians, including President

Mitterrand, boast roots in the

countryside and the impera-

tive of easing the agony of the peasant farmers is one of the

few issues on which they all

agree. That is why they toler-

ate the daily outrages by angry farmers. In the latest,

wine-growers in the Pyrenees

yesterday attacked two Span-

ish tanker lorries and dumped their contents, 600,000 litres

of white wine, on to the

few years.

rantee its survival he

and implied that M Delors had interfered and failed to give him support.

"I am scandalised because during my eight years at the head of the Commission I have always supported the decisions taken by the Com-... and my colleagues," M Delors said. Questioned whether he intended to resign, he said: "Why? I am in good health."

He refused to be drawn on whether he agreed with President Mitterrand's criticism of British delays in ratifying the Masstricht treaty. "I have no comment. I am president of the European Commission, not a French politicism." he not a French politician," he said.

M Delors optimism about a deal chimed with the moderate tone adopted on Monday by Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, who told his colleagues that a deal could be struck before the deadline of December 5. M Dumas also accepted that the EC would make no public reference to retaliation over threatened US sanctions.

Punitive American tariffs are due to be levied after December 5 on selected Europrincipally French white wine. Dr Kinkel said that retaliation could lead to a vicious circle of import restrictions and would be "the stupidest thing we could do"

M Mitterrand's television broadcast on Monday, al-though highly critical of Mr Major's delay in ratifying the Maastricht treaty, also avoided the obstructive language in which French ministers have addressed the trade talks over

The shift in French tone appears to be the result of growing impatience from the German government which is coming under belated but fierce pressure from its export-ers to do all it can to avoid an all-out trade war. Dr Kinkel told German radio that a compromise was essential and that "France will in the end have to join in". German diplomats confirm that the government has Bonn that people might be killed in agricultural riots following an unpopular



Kinkel: said French must make a deal

While German industry is now bitterly critical of both France and M Delors over Gatt, German farmers, who are themselves largely responsible for the problems over oilseed subsidies, have called for the EC to maintain its stand. Baron Constantin von Heereman, president of the German farmers' association. was quoted yesterday as saying that Europe should wait to negotiate with the Clinton administration after it takes over from President Bush in January, because the new president would not wish to begin his term of office with a transatlantic trade war.

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EC closes its mind to open doors

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

BRITISH attempts to open the arcane workings of the European Community's decision-making system to greater public scrutiny are running into a wall of resistance in the rest of Europe.

This week's EC foreign ministers' council was the latest of several confidential discussions on greater "transparency" before the Community's Edinburgh summit next month, which is supposed to decide how the EC can become more user-friendly. The ministers persuaded Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary -astonished to find himself cast as the radical - that Europe can unite only behind closed doors.

The depth of this breathtaking conservatism can be appreciated only by reading the proposals — confidential, of course - which Britain put to the meeting. Obtained with relative ease by The Times, they are staggeringly timid. The paper admits that a majority of states are against opening any ministerial meetings in Brussels. It argues that the public might see such access as "a stage-managed public relations exercise".

The one man who could hardly believe his ears when Mr Hurd's mild adjustments were shouted down was Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, the Danish foreign minister, for whose sake EC governments are trying to become more accessible and accountable. "Bureaucratic protectionism," he

Hurd rejects Mitterrand's criticism over Maastricht

parliamentary

liament.

ratification of the

and who he must keep on side

to be sure of pushing the

legislation through Par-

As domestic pressure mounted, Mr Major wrote a

strong private letter to M Mitterrand rejecting his attack

on Britain's delay in ratifica-

tion. In an apparent rebuke,

Mr Major said that the pas-

sage of the Maastricht bill was

a matter for the British Parlia-

ment and government. He

told the French leader that the

crucial issue for Europe was the future of the General

Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks. Whitehall officials

have suggested that France is

using the Maastricht issue to

Mr Hurd refused to com-

ment yesterday on reports that

he had not been informed of

Mr Major's decision to delay

the final reading of the bill

until after the second Danish

referendum. The "bits of the

puzzle will come together", he

The government intended

to begin the committee stages

of the bill before the Edin-

burgh summit, but he did not

know how long this would

take. "The prime minister has

made it clear to our partners

that we will take a long time,

and there will be a lot of

amendments." He added that

divert attention from Gatt.

By MICHAEL BINYON AND PHILIP WEBSTER

AS BRITAIN'S European Community partners yester-day expressed increasing concern over its delay in ratifying the Maastricht treaty, Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, played down President Mitterrand's claim that the

delay was "unacceptable". "At the end of the day a treaty delayed is better than a treaty lost," he said. He admitted that the delay was bound to be regretted in EC capitals, especially those which had already ratified the treaty. But he said that he had explained the government's difficulties at Monday's meeting of Community foreign ministers, and had found understanding and an increasing belief that Britain would ratify the treaty in

the end. But Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader, increased John Major's dilemma over the timing of ratification by announcing that his party's support for the Maastricht bill would be withdrawn if the government was seen to be delaying for too long and waiting on the Danes. At the same time, however, the Tory right gave the prime minister clear warning that they expect him to abide by his promise that the final Commons vote on the bill would not be until after the

second Danish referendum. Mr Major, who is under pressure to spell out his intentions in the event of the Danish referendum being delayed beyond next May, is thus caught in the crossfire between the two groups whose

the committee stages would involve the most detailed scru-John Major's tiny of the treaty in any EC dilemma over the timing of Mr Hurd would not guar-

antee that the third reading of the bill would not be until next autumn, "We hope and expect treaty is hardening that it will pass these stages during the current session." Mr Major himself will not Commons victory last week

say what will happen if the Danish referendum is delayed beyond May - the right want him to make plain that he will wait for the Danes if they have good reason for delaying their referendum, and the pro-Euroneans want him to say that

he would press on regardless. In a letter to Mr Major last night Mr Ashdown gave the first indication that he would pull the rug from under the government if it delayed beyond May. He told Mr Major that his party had long believed that the bill's detailed stage would take until the spring. However, there was a big difference between this and waiting for the Danish referendum.

Mr Ashdown said the confusion about the government's posture was damaging Mr Major's authority and undermining his presidency of the Community.

He then warned: "You should understand that you can only count on the support of the Liberal Democrats in the committee stage of the bill for as long as you continue to show the urgency that is necessary to get Maastricht ratified as soon as possible and clear up the uncertainty over Britain's future in Europe, which is doing so much damage to our prospects of eco-

Honecker hearings will raise awkward questions

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN BONN

E rich Honecker will toome out fighting at his trial, which begins in Berlin tomorrow - and he has a lot of material to fight with. His chief argument will be that this is a West German show trial imed at the former East German state.

The trial has been called the most spectacular legal process on German soil since Nuremberg" and raises not just legal questions, but also moral and historical ones that many Germans would prefer to

forget. Herr Honecker, 80. and his five elderly colleagues are being charged with responsibility for the kill-ing of people trying to escape to the West. They are the survivors of a meeting of the National Defence Council in 1974, at which Herr Honecker is supposed to have said: "As before, firearms must be ruthlessly employed in the case of attempts to cross the frontier. Comrades who have used their weapons successfully are to be congratulated." Although 50 cases have

been filed against Herr Honecker, only 12 cases set out in the charge-sheet. Actions are also being brought by some victims' families. A fortnight ago two East German border

escaper were jailed. Their sentencing ended any possibility that the trial might be dropped because of his age and ill health; morally, it would be impossible to punish ordinary soldiers and let the men who gave the orders go free.

Herr Honecker's lawyers however will try to delay proceedings. It is possible that the cancer from which Herr Honecker is suffering will kill him before the trial ends.

Herr Honecker's initial argument was that Germany had no right to try him for actions committed under the law of another state which was a member of the United Nations. Thus, he is being charged under East German and West German law.

Herr Honecker has claimed that some West German politicians welcomed the Berlin Wall because it stabilised East Germany. There is enough truth in this to be embarrassing for Bonn. Helmut Kohl's government adopted so thoroughly the Ostpolitik of its Social Democratic predecessors that in the last years of East Germany it seemed concerned above all to prevent dissent and maintain calm. It is now clear the Honecker regime would have fallen earlier. had it not been for West German subsidies.



Honecker, may die before trial ends

Ex-ministers face trial over HIV blood scandal

By Charles Bremner

THE French opposition moved yesterday to create a parliamentary court to try former ministers over the blood transfusion scandal after President Mitterrand signalled his support for the action in a television address aimed at limiting the damage

to his administration. The Gaullist RPR and the centrist UDF grouping approved plans to elect 12 depuhes to join 12 senators on the High Court, a body created under the 1958 constitution to by government ministers. It could hear arguments for the impeachment of Georgina Dufoix and Edmond Hervé. the former health minister and her deputy, who were in charge in 1085 when the

national blood transfusion service ordered the distribution of stocks known to be contaminated with HIV. Laurent Fabius, the former prime minister and now leader of M Mitterrand's Socialist Party, might also be called to

account Three senior health officials were given prison sentences two weeks ago for their part in the scandal. The affair has dominated the political scene for months and threatens to intensify when an appeal court reopens the case next year, probably around the time of parliamentary elections in March. M Mitterrand, who is deeply unpopular, said he believed the court should be set in motion, although it was a "bungled, hybrid" mechanism that had never concluded any case since it was devised. Many politicians have demanded a reform that would allow ministers to be tried in normal courts. M Mitterrand, who said he

was in good shape despite his prostate cancer, offered an apology to the hundreds of families affected by the scandal. Over 300 people, mostly haemophiliacs, have died so far. "I want each family that has been hurt to know our immense distress and that the nation owes them a form of national solidarity, a sort of apology," the president said. A snap opinion poll showed that only 35 per cent of the public found his words convincing.

The opposition noted that it was unlikely that the political court would ever reach a conclusion, and it accused M Mitterrand of seeking to sow confusion by combining the blood issue with an announcement of plans for reforming the constitution. "It was classic Mitterrand," Nicolas Sarkozy, a senior figure in the RPR, said. "When you have a problem, create confusion."

The conservative Figaro warned the opposition, already fiercely divided over who should lead a future government and run for the presidency, against falling into "the trap" that M Mitterrand had set. M Mitterrand, who has

long denounced the Fifth Republic as a "permanent coup d'état" but has thrived in its powerful presidential office. said he was not seeking to open a "Sixth Republic". He said he would propose reforms

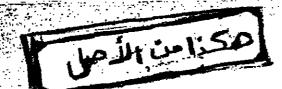
in up to seven areas, including limiting the presidential term of office. The seven-year renewable term - M Mitterrand is 18 months from the end of his second term -- is widely unpopular. He said he also wants to improve the balance of power between parliament and the government, guarantee the independence of justice and increase the scope for referendums.

He would submit the proposals to the presidents of both houses of parliament and the constitutional court by the end of this month, but did not expect them to be adopted until after next year's general election. M Minerrand said he had no plans of leaving his post if the opposition wins the elections and forms a new

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Divided views on Bosnia condemn Britain to the sidelines



Lord Owen: obedience

BRITISH troops have been fired on in Bosnia and it is only a matter of time before the first British soldiers are killed. When it happens there is little "if" about it - the victims will be the first British battle fatalities on continental Europe since the second world

war - a grim milestone. Before blood is spilt, Britain should work out what it wants to do in former Yugoslavia. As president of the European Community, Britain has made even less progress than Portugal. Every one of the Serb promises made at the London peace conference this summer has been broken. Lord Carrington gave up as chief peace negotiator and Lord Owen is finding that, while his Balkan partners are surprisingly well-mannered, they simply do not do as they

The Yugoslav drama is not a single, but a multiple, crisis,

Before blood of British troops is spilt in Bosnia, the government should work out what it really wants to do in the former Yugoslavia, writes Roger Boyes, East Europe Correspondent

and it cannot be solved at a stroke. Priorities have to be established. Is it more urgent to stop the fighting in Bosnia or to prevent war spreading to Macedonia and Kosovo? Is it more useful to bring down the Serbian regime or to prop it up, in the hope that it will be able to bring the militias to heel? What comes first: getting refugees to safety or opposing "ethnic cleansing"? And is the West in a position to make anything happen at all?
The British commitment of

a 2,000-man defence force was a popular move within Britain and the European Community. In the rest of Europe, there is a perception

Britain does best. Yet the decision to send in soldiers was intended to choke, rather than advance, the cause of military intervention. With a strictly defined humanitarian mission, the soldiers were viewed by the politicians more as Salvation Army men in armour than as gun-blazing peace enforcers. The Cheshires and their support units are

political decisions. True, a useful priority has been determined: to feed and clothe the hundreds of thousands of displaced Bosnians as the winter sets in. But British policy does not appear to go

there not as the result of a

thought-through strategy, but as a way of avoiding real

beyond this sticking-plaster approach. Three months ago Charles Wardle, parliamentary under-secretary at the Home Office, said that Britain "has fully respected the call of the UN High Commission for Refugees not to raise visa barriers against the arrival of refugees from the republics of the former Yugoslavia". Last week, the government an-nounced that it would impose visa restrictions on Bosnians. The nearest place that a Bosni-

Is this of no concern to Britain? Croatia has taken in almost 700,000 refugees and economy has reached breaking point. Even tiny

an Muslim can obtain a visa is

ernment has allowed in.

The British political establishment is torn — as it has been for 18 months — between regarding the Balkan war as essentially a spectator event and viewing it as a crisis that defies solution until "the warring parties have exhaust-ed themselves" (Lord Car-rington's words). Both views seem to condemn Britain to a kind of passivity. Yet there are commonsense steps that can be taken quickly and will allow Britain and the EC to stay ahead of events:

☐ Britain, as president of the European Community, can co-ordinate refugee efforts more energetically. Europe-wide national quotas should be set, and Croana should be given help in coping with its huge refugee population; ☐ Urgent interest should be shown in Kosovo with the aim

☐ Britain has a history of intelligent understanding of. Serbian domestic politics and should exploit this. In particu-lar, the Serbian ally, Montenegro, should be encouraged to distance itself from the present

But now that there are soldiers on the ground, Britain has to devise a coherent strategy that takes both military and political risks into account. For example, what should Britain do if the Serbs cut off the supply lines to the British military base in Vitez and place the soldiers under siege? Does Britain call in aircraft to shell Serb positions, or does it

withdraw? Without clear political aims. these soldiers are operating in a void. The army was aware of course that the strict UN rules of engagement would tie their hands in combat. But they

Slovenia has accepted more of protecting the ethnic Alba should be more concerned at refugees than the British govinans there: the fuzzy political thinking in Whitehall that is defining their mission.

The most plausible strategy proposed has come from the French: to set up protection zones for displaced people within Bosnia. The critics of that idea say that such zones will perpetuate the practice of "ethnic cleansing", that non-Serbs will be crowded under a United Nations umbrella while the Serbs consolidate their recent gains. But that risk has to be taken. It is intolerable that refugees can be strafed by Serb aircraft or peppered by mortar fire. An air exclusion zone over Bosnia has to be enforced rigidly.

There is no swift or facile political solution to the crisis, but until a lasting and just settlement is found British and other UN soldiers should be used with more intelligence

Spanish unit secures mountain road as UK troops arrive in Split

FROM MICHAEL EVANS. DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT, IN SPLIT

BRITAIN'S military contribution to the humanitarian relief operation in Bosnia-Herzegovina moved up a gear yester-day with the arrival in Split of the first soldiers from the main

Soldiers from the 1st Battalion The Cheshire Regiment and the 9th/12th Lancers flew into the Croatian airport from Gütersloh in Germany on board an American C130 Hercules. The first batch of 180 soldiers will be followed by a succession of flights until

With the Warrior, Scimitar and Spartan armoured vehides due to arrive in the port this morning, a five-day logistics operation will begin to transport the equipment along the hazardous mountain route to Vitez, the main British base in central Bosnia. As the British infantry battalion group builds up to its full strength of 2,400 men and women, a Spanish military unit vesterday began a vital reconnaissance of the area around Mostar, where fierce fighting is continuing. The Mostar road may have to become the troops' main supply route to Vitez if the present mountain track from Tomislavgrad becomes blocked with

The Spanish, who are responsible for the Mostar area and hope to set up their base near the city, will have a key role to play if the British efforts are not to be frustrated by the wintry conditions in the mountains. Colonel Francisco Zorzo, commander of the 700strong Spanish Legion, vowed vesterday that his men would carve a safe passage along the

. UK involvement has moved into a serious phase. Despite foreign commitment, fighting rages on

Mostar to Sarajevo road, which is now at the centre of a battle between Croats and Muslims on the west side and Serbs on the east. "When winter comes, I think the only supply route from the south will be along this road," Colonel Zorzo said.

The Spanish reconnaissance team set out from the port of Split to Metkovic and up through Jablanica to Mostar. Colonel Zorzo said they were advised not to go through Mostar, but they pushed on regardless.

On Sunday a brigade of the HVO, Croatian right-wing extremists, launched an attack across the road against the Serbs and destroyed up to seven villages. The Serbs threatened to target Dubrov-nik, Mostar and Zagreb if the Croats did not stop. There were further reports of fighting in the area yesterday. Colonel Zorzo said his men would fire back if they were attacked, as the British soldiers did last Saturday. The Spanish reconnaissance team was travelling in huge armoured vehicles which have

25mm cannon. Once the road approaches Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, the British could switch to a track west of the city at the town of Tarcin, as they approach Vitez. British reconnaissance trips north of Vitez towards Tuzla, where the shooting incident happened.

will soon begin in earnest with the arrival today of the Scimitars and Spartans. These will protect soldiers from small

arms fire.

Four squadrons will carry out the reconnaissance work for the relief convoys. Major Adam Abraham, commander of B Squadron of the 9th/12th Lancers, which will be involved, said the shooting incident showed the importance of "careful recce". He said: "We will pay due attention to all the information we can get and will move as stealthily as possible. The great thing is not to rush. We need time."

The reconnaissance parties will have interpreters with them. The Scimitars will be the first to leave the Rosa Dan roll-on roll-off vessel at Split this morning and they will head off towards Tomislavgrad and up the mountain track. They will act as pickets along the route as the 30-ton Warriors are brought up in stages. The Warriors, which run on tracks, will be taken of low loaders at Tomislaverad and will complete the moun-

tain route on their own steam. Trooper Tristam Wilson, a 22-year-old gunner in Major Abraham's B Squadron, said yesterday: "Obviously I'm a bit apprehensive, but that's a good thing. We're the best trained army in the world and I'm sure we'll do a good job."

One of the youngest members of the squadron, Trooper Gareth Manger, 19, said he had served in Northern Ireland and believed it was going to be "an interesting experi-

ence" in Bosnia. In the Bosnian capital yesterday hundreds of Muslim and Croat women and children wept as they boarded Red Cross buses destined for Croatia. A 1,000-strong group of Serb families was due to leave for Belgrade in a second convoy. The Bosnian Red Cross hopes to move 6,000 people altogether, but only 14 of the expected 26 buses

turned up in Sarajevo. United Nations peacekeepers dismissed the evacuation as a form of "ethnic deansing" and refused to protect the convoy as it headed for hostile Serb lines and a 105-mile trek through mountains to Split.

Muslim, Croat and Serb negotiators in the capital agreed yesterday to an unconditional ceasefire from Thursday. Brigadier Roddy Cordy-Simpson, the chief of staff to Major General Philippe Morillon, the UN commander-inchief, said that the accord had been achieved after "lengthy negotiations" and "goodwill



Into action: Sapper Scott Hazel, Private Sonja Norton and Lance Corporal Mark Sinclair of the Royal Air Force wait at Gütersloh barracks in Germany yesterday prior to joining other British soldiers in the United Nations relief forces in the Croatian port of Split

Hatred scars a smiling landscape

soldiers in the Sunce restaurant, about 40 miles west of Sarajevo, roared in unison: We're Fascists. Hitler! Hitler! Hitler!" They had been comparatively quiet until one of my companions spoke to the

waiter in German. The presence of today's version of the Ustashi, Nazi sympathisers responsible for massacre of about 400,000 Serbs in the second world war, was a reminder of the historical hatred that fuels this war. There are men here in Bosnia-Herzegovina who are driven by a frightening messianic mission.

The soldiers eventually left, the tyres of their cars screeching on the tarmac, drowning the sound of distant artillery fire which appeared to be coming from the hills above the town of Turbe. It is the turn of Turbe to suffer the Serbian hatred, which is as messianic as the Croats'. Turbe will fall, then probably Travnik. Nothing will stop the Serbs from advancing south. The war has been raging for more than seven months. But

in spite of the appalling blood-shed, "ethnic deansing" and

suffering among the thou-sands of refugees, there are

In mountains torn by vicious fighting. British troops must keep open a supply route to thousands of starving refugees, writes Michael Evans in Vitez

where it is impossible to believe that a war is going on. Driving through the countryside in the largely Croatian southwest, a lone soldier with a Kalashnikov slung over his shoulder or the red-and-white chequered flag of the Croatian forces in Bosnia, represent the only evidence of communities

Occasionally there are extraordinary examples of normality amid scenes of devastation. None more so than in Prozor, which used to be a pleasant town set in a deep valley until the Croatian HVO arrived and drove the Muslim inhabitants out, torching their homes.

As you enter Prozor, the chalet-style houses at the top of the hill are undamaged. But the apparent tranquillity is deceiving. Once you turn the corner, the change is dramatic. Every house has been wrecked, every shop a mass of broken glass and blackened

Prozor is on the list of

potentially dangerous places for the United Nations soldiers, including British, who drive up from Split in convoys. The drivers stop just outside the town and put on their flak

The 30-mile mountain section of the supply route from Split to Vitez in central Bosnia. a distance of 150 miles, is such that the fear of being pounced on by maverick drunken militia comes second to the struggle to prevent the car disintegrating from the pounding given by the pot-holes, rocks, sharp stones and sudden dips. The soldiers call this the Ho Chi Minh trail, or the Khyber Pass.

When the snows come, this mountain track which represents the lifeline for the starying refugees in central Bosnia could become cut off. Even in the present element weather. the route can become blocked with an extraordinary array of vehicles. Since this is the only safe way to reach Vitez on the other side of the mountain.

avoiding Serb positions, everyone and their wife uses it. Up in the mountains along the new Serbian front lines overlooking Travnik, Turbe and Vitez, where the British are based in a primary school, are the the Chetniks, the Serbian irregulars, wild men with long beards and, reput-edly, LSD pills in their pockets, the commerparts to the

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the chaos in Bosnia are

"My family is spread through four countries now."

said Arsim Zekoli, an ethnic Albanian social worker, we

Soldiers wrap up for * long winter

By Michael Evans

THE soldiers arriving at Split have been equipped with Arc-tic weather clothing, anticipating temperatures as low as

Each soldier has been given thermal long johns and vest, quilted under-trousers, quilted jacket, a woolly camouflaged hat with ear flaps, a Gortex jacket, thick woollen Arctic socks, gloves and high-neck combat boots. The soldiers also have new waterproof.

down filled sleeping bags.

During the Balklands campaign in 1982, the soldiers complained that their boots let in water and caused trench foot. The latest design comes well above the ankle and is guaranteed not to leak.

The 2.400 troops who will be operational by November will be deployed in Bosnia-Herzegovina for six months. Although they have been sent as peacekeepers, the battalion infantry group based around the 1st Battalion The Cheshire Regiment have brought with them weaponry and ar-moured vehicles to retaliate under fire if necessary.

Their main protective vehide is the 30-ton armoured Warrior infantsy fighting vehicle. Seven fully equipped infantrymen can sit in the back, which has been fitted with extra Chobham armour protection plates, as it was in the Gulf. The vehicle is armed with a 30mm cannon which can lire 900 armon piercing rounds per mindse and a 7.62mm chain gun

There are also 24 Scimitar and reconnaissance vehicles and a few Sultan command vehicles. The Scientar, a light reconnaissance tank, armed with the same 30mm cannon,

has a top speed of 50mph. All the armour will strive in Split early this mouning. The soldiers each have \$A80 rifles, with relescopic night sights, and 7.62 miss machineguns that can be fitted to the Scimillar has been Scimitar have also been brought. The infantry banal-ion has Milan amilank misiles and 31mm mortars with range of more than three miles and a 15 rounds a-minute firing rate.

Wolves of war circle their Macedonian prey

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MACEDONIANS believe that they can hear the baying of the wolves of war, historically the Albanians, Serbs,

Greeks and Bulgarians. As in the Balkan wars of 80 years ago, the wolves are stalking their prey. For some Macedonians the question is no longer whether there will be a war or not but when it will begin.

Macedonian police last Friday chased a 15-year-old black-marketeer through Skopje's sprawling Bit Pazar market, provoking riots by ethnic Albanians. By the time the night was out, four people were dead.

'Albanians and Macedomians cannot live together any more," Skender Halimi, an ethnic Albanian shopFROM TIM JUDAH IN SKOPJE

keeper, said. "Lots of our people work abroad so we have lots of money. We'll buy

Politicians on all sides are refusing to place open blame for last week's events, but that does not stop them hinting. Macedonians point the finger at ethnic Albanians or at Serbia. The Albanians point at the Macedonian ministry of the interior, saying that the whole event was staged to dramatise the country's situation to force international recognition.

Macedonia is still denied recognition today, despite meeting the European Community's criteria, because Greece claims that its name implies territorial pretensions on its own northern province. As a result, Macedonia languishes in a twilight zone, denied access to foreign credit and with its economy in tatters.

Everyone agrees, however,

that there is a bigger threat than the one posed by Greece. Of Macedonia's two million people, perhaps a third are ethnic Albanians. Their fate is intimately entwined with that of their kinsmen in the overwhelmingly ethnic Albanian province of Kosovo in southern Serbia. "What we fear most is a massive attack on Kosovo leading to a flight of Albanians here which in turn would lead to Serb intervention." Iso Rusi, an Albanian intel-

This is a fear shared by



Branko Crvenkovski, Macedonia's prime minister. But he goes one further in accising the Greeks of actively encouraging Serbia. They are going from meeting to meeting hoping that something will come up which will prevent recognition, and that something is conflict. That is why the Greeks have such grade," he said.

simply cannot support this." He favours a Macedonian confederation and then pos-sibly union with Albania. Asked how the Macedo-mans could be persuaded to accept such a confederation. he replied in the true spirit of modern Balkan politics. "Ever seen The Godfather? Someone might make them an offer they cannot refuse to be or not to be."

Israeli armour masses after rocket barrage on Lebanese border

and Ben Lynfield IN JERUSALEM

ROCKETS and shells were fired on both sides of the Lebanese-Israeli border yesterday after Katyusha rockets of pro-Iranian Hezbollah militiamen crashed on to the Galilee area for the second

Reports from Israel's secunity zone said that Israeli armoured columns were seen crossing the border and taking up positions facing Shia villages where Hezbollah fighters have set up bases.

At the same time Israel pounded almost all the villages adjacent to the zone, inflicting heavy casualties and damage to property.

The heightened tensions came a day after Arab and Israeli negotiators reconvened for a seventh round of peace talks in Washington. Fares

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Boueiz, the Lebanese foreign minister, said that the Lebanese army had been ordered to respond with full force. He said that Lebanon would "not be dragged into this Israeli trap", and ordered the Lebanese delegation to the peace talks in Washington to ignore the Israeli "provocation", which he says is aimed at forcing Beirut to withdraw from the peace process.

Last month an eruption of Israeli-Hezbollah violence also

Turks say they will

IN JOHANNESBURG AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

AN OFFICIAL investigation into the government of the impoverished South African black homeland of Lebowa has unearthed incompetence and corruption on a vast scale. The results of the enquiry were disclosed soon after the resignation on Monday of Stoffel van der Merwe, the secretary-general of South Africa's ruling National party, amid a scandal over administrative corruption under apartheid. Mr van der Merwe, who is close to President de Klerk. is the third senior National

party member to resign this

year and the second to go

amid allegations of corrup-

oon in black homelands, al-

though he said that he was

resigning for - personal rea-The investigation by Oelof de Meyer, chief magistrate of Johannesburg, said that the Lebowa Cabinet should take full responsibility for the situation in the homeland. It disclosed that entire departments were created without government authorisation. non-existent officials were paid for years and numerous officials lacked the ability to carry out the jobs they were supposed to do. Millions of rands earmarked for buying school books and stationery disappeared without

quit Iraq

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN ANKARA

TURKEY, flushed with success after its attacks on the errilla camps of the rebel Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK), has given assurances through a diplomatic delega-tion to the Iraqi Kurdish leadership that its troops still operating in northern Iraq will withdraw. The foreign ministry indicated that Turkish forces are expected to pull out over the next two weeks.

One conservative estimate is that Turkey in alliance with the peshmerga armies of the Iraqi Kurds have killed about 1,200 members of the PKK and captured at least twice that number. Among those said to have surrendered to the peshmerga is Osman Ocalan, a PKK commander.

Three is little doubt that thrish torces, having over-run the PKK's warren of mountain caves, have disrupted its ability to wage a separat-ist campaign in Turkey from the other side of the border. Turkey's priority will now be to prevent the PKK from regrouping next spring.

□ Turks accused: Amnesty

yesterday of failing to improve its human rights record despite promising tough action. It said that the torture of political prisoners and the random killing of civilians continued unabated, especially among the Kurds.

Israel massed troops along the border after a 14-year-old boy was killed by a rocket in the Galilee town of Kiryat Shemona.

Mordechai Gur, Israel's deputy defence minister, said vesterday that Israel would not restrain itself indefinitely if warnings issued to Lebanon and Syria during the latest round of Middle East peace talks did not succeed in stopping the attacks.

He said: "It must be made

clear to residents of south Lebanon who lodge the Hezbollah, and to Lebanese leaders and the Hezbollah leaders, that if our residents in the north cannot live in peace, life on the Lebanese side will not be easy either."

The escalation in violence was triggered by a Hezbollah ambush on a South Lebanon Army (SLA) patrol near the eastern edge of the security zone. A statement by Hezbollah said three patrol members were killed or wounded when a roadside bomb exploded in their path. The night before, Hezbollah fired some 55 rockets into the security zone and Israel's western Galilee region. The barrages caused no casualties or damage, but forced thousands of Israelis to stay in shelters

and cancel school. Fundamentalist sources said yesterday that the rocket attacks were part of Hezbollah's new strategy against Israel's raids on south

Its leaders vowed on Friday to "kill a Jew in Israel for every Lebanese civilian they kill here". They said the rocket attacks were in response to an Israeli air force raid against eastern Lebanon on Sunday. ☐ Washington: Bush administration officials are floating the idea of James Baker, the former Secretary of State, making one more trip to the Middle East before Bill Clinton takes office, in a bid to galvanise the Arab-Israeli peace talks.

A spokesman for Mr Clinton indicated that he would support such a mission. One of Mr Clinton's foreign policy advisers, writing anonymously in the Washington publication Middle East Insight, even suggested that the Clinton administration should retain Mr Baker as its Middle East

Initial Israeli response was unenthusiastic. Yossi Gal, the Israeli delegation spokesman erriment would give such a "serious consideration". But the Israelis fear that Mr Baker might exert undue pressure on them in his eagerness to get results.



Edge of violence: Anan Mabut, allegedly high on amphetamines, holds a cleaver to the throat of a woman hostage in Bangkok before surrendering to police

Patten flies home to report on wrangles with Peking

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN HONG KONG

CHRIS Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, will return to London this weekend to brief John Major about his recent controversial visit to Peking and a series of verbal clashes with Chinese leaders.
For better or worse, it is a

different Hong, Kong 🚣 a

cauldron of angry argument, pointed fingers and big head-

lines - that Mr Patten leaves today. He will visit Canada "He is like a breath of fresh air - he has stirred things up. got people involved and does not dodge questions," an

Not everybody believes that he new governor is a good thing. Communist party apparatchiks, who have attacked vigorously Mr Patten's ideas for expanding democracy in the colony, have found some

American executive in Hong

vative business community. On Monday, the Business and Professionals Federation declared its opposition to the democracy plan, saying that it could lead to Hong Kong's political structure being dis-mantled by China after the handover by Britain in 1997. Other bankers and captains

of industry have added their

own criticisms, prompting one diplomat to say: "Some busi-nessmen do not have convictions, or at least do not have the courage of their convictions." Roger Thomas, chairof the Retail Management Association, people were claiming to speak for all local businessmen. "That is arrogant nonsense," he said. "The [federation] rep-

resents only a very small splinter of business.' However, on the eve of his departure for Canada, where

he is likely to receive official endorsement for his proposals, the governor had an "icebreaking" meeting with Zhou Nan, director of the New China News Agency, and China's top figure here, for the first time since Mr Patten made his policy speech on October 7. The Chinese are quietly seething that opinion polls indicate that 62 per cent

of Hong Kong Chinese sup-

port the governor's stance.

When Mr Patten arrives in London he will meet Zhu Rongji, deputy prime minister and the man in charge of the economy. He emerged as a senior leader, at the recent 14th Communist Party congress in Peking. Mr Zhu is to hold talks with Mr Major and Douelas Hurd, the foreign secretary.

Jordan jails MPs for plot with Iran to topple Husain

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

LEITH Shubeilat, 49, and be approved by the prime Yaqoub Qarrash, 40, popular pro-Islamic deputies in the Jordanian parliament, were both sentenced to 20 years' hard labour by a military court in Amman yesterday. They were convicted of plotting with Iran to overthrow King Husain's moderate Hashemite monarchy.

The five-week trial has threatened stability in Jordan. which plays a vital role in the Middle East peace process now in progress in Washington. It coincided with speculation that the king, who has ruled for 40 years, might soon be forced to abdicate as a result of the cancer for which he had surgery recently.

Senior Jordanian officials insisted yesterday that both the succession and the country's stability were assured in spite of threats from authoritarian neighbours. The throne is due to pass first to Prince Hassan, the king's younger brother, and then to Ali, his eldest son by the late Queen Alia. Despite this assurances, however, many Jordanians still fear that the departure of the monarch, now at the peak of his popularity, could quickly plunge the country into chaos.

The chief military judge said in delivering yesterday's verdict that the court was not imposing the death penalty because the two deputies had no previous criminal records. They had also not used the arms and explosives found in their possession. The judge said Shubeilat had formed an illegal organisation, known as Shab al-Nafeer al-Islami (Vanguard of the Islamic Youth), after meeting Iranian officials "at the highest level" in Tehran in 1990.

The verdict came after accusations by senior officials in Cairo that Iran is also financing a growing wave of Islamic terrorism in Egypt. Both King Husain and President Mubarak, the Egyptian leader, are implacable opponents of efforts to convert their countries into Iranian-style theocratic states.

Two Jordanian shopkeepen were also convicted of belonging to the shadowy group and sentenced to ten years' hard labour. All four men were arrested in August in a move seen as an attempt by the government to deliver a tough warning to Islamic radicals.

Islamic fundamentalists made sweeping gains in the 1989 parliamentary elections. which set a trend later repeated elsewhere in the Arab more recently, Kuwait. They won 22 seats to form the largest bloc in the House, a result known to have angered the king.

The convicted men can appeal against vesterday's verdicts, but any appeal must first

minister and ratified by the king. Legal sources said it was possible that the king would grant pardons but, if he did. the law would prevent the deputies from seeking political office ever again.

☐ Violence worsens: Islamic violence in Upper Egypt is continuing to worsen, with police reporting yesterday that six people were wounded on Monday in several attacks by Muslim extremists armed with homemade bombs and knives. They said security forces had detained 79 suspected fundamentalists after the incidents in Assiut and Dairut, where a British tourist was killed recently in a terror-

NEWS IN BRIEF

Perot attacks Bush 'abuse of power'

Washington: Ross Perot accused the Republicans of gross abuse of federal power after learning that the State Department had searched his passport files during the presidential election campaign

(Jamie Dettmer writes).

The search took place about two weeks after Lawrence Eagleburger, the acting Secretary of State, denounced his officials for carrying out similar tactics against Bill Clinton.

Police chief

Moscow: Vladimir Pankratov, a professional policeman, has replaced Arkadi Murashev, a liberal young politician, as commander of the Moscow-based police and interior min-istry peacekeeping forces.

Pupils killed

Cairo: Eighteen children and eight teachers died when a bus collided with an articulated lorry on a road near the Red Sea port of Safaga. Another to hospital. The lorry driver was arrested. (AP)

Cyprus vote

New York: The UN is to pass a resolution criticising the lead-ership of the Turkish minority on Cyprus for blocking pro-gress towards the creation of a federal Cypriot state after talks ended in stalemate.

Chechen alert

Moscow: General Dzhokar Dudayey, president of the breakaway region of Chech-enia, declared a state of emergency after Russsian troops massed on the border. (AP)



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Overweight but active: children should do at least three 20-minute sessions of leg stretching exercise per week

Switch that thing off and get outside

et another report has condemned British children as a genera-tion of couch pota-toes, living in a world of virtual reality rather than romping in the real one. A two-year study of Cambridgeshire schoolchildren, partly funded out of a £30,000 grant from the Sports Council, concluded that the majority of seven to 11-year-olds do not have the standard level of fitness skills for their

age groups.

Those with the lowest scores came from middle-class homes with more facilities to keep them indoors, such as television, video and home computers, the report suggests. "The children from the more deprived areas performed better at kicking. throwing, jumping and run-ning," says Gary Latham, the assistant director of leisure for Peterborough, who coordinated the study. "But those from affluent areas, who didn't play as much in the parks and on the streets, lacked these basic skills. The object of our study look at what could be done to improve the situation."

The study points out that there are more sporting and recreational activities available for children than ever before. Some, such as gymnasium classes for babies as young as six months old which are on offer through organisations such as Tumble Tots (which charges £2.50 for one 45

Why should children take more

exercise? Victoria McKee reports on the latest grown-up theories

boasts 56,000 young devotees nationwide), are only for those who can afford to pay. But others, such as mini versions of adult games from short tennis and Kwik Cricket to "new - non contact - rugby. are organised by sporting bodies and are often available

free of charge.

But while the variety of activities increases children are living an increasingly isolated existence, ferried to and from school - and even sporting events - by well-meaning parents, and spending hours watching soap operas and playing computer games instead of enjoying old-fash-ioned rough-and-tumble outside with their friends.

"What's missing is the middle ground," says Margaret McGowan, of the National Children's Play and Recreation Unit, an independent arm of the Sports Council which yesterday produced its own report deploring the lack of adequate outdoor play facili-ties for many children in both

city and countryside.

"Ferrying your children to organised sporting activities once or twice a week is not the same as old-fashioned play and the constant activity it involves," Ms McGowan says. 'Children used to play out of doors for hours, with a great feeling of contentment. Now they may be driven to the swimming pool, swim for half an hour, and then clamour for sweets. Organisations such as Tumble Tots touch only the periphery of childhood, and for only a short time each

r Neil Armstrong, the reader in exercise science at the University of Exeter, whose studies on children's fitness highlighted high cholesterol levels in 11-year-olds, is also worried about the poor provision of physical education in schools.

"Although PE became part of the National Curriculum from this September, so it must be taught, there is no stipulation on how long it should be taught," Dr Armstrong says. "It can be for as School Committee of the House of Commons is for two

"Back in 1987, 38 per cent of state school pupils were getting less than this, and that number had nearly doubled to 71 per cent by 1990. The National Curriculum has only served to squeeze it out further, and 56 per cent of primary schools, according to a 1992 survey by the National Association of Head Teachers, find they cannot deliver the new curriculum for PE."

Dr Armstrong, however, is surprised that the Cambridge-shire study suggests it is children from better off families

Pass the stout,

more flattering". The article contrast-ed such full-faced fig-

ures as Roseanne Arn-

old. Bette Middler and Twiggy (who has put

on a few pounds since her Twiglet days) fav-ourably against emaci-ated "social X-rays"

such as Nan Kempner

zine warned, be too

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who are worse off physically.
"Working-class homes tend
to have more TV and computers, and you can see more satellite dishes on the houses, whereas the middle-classes tend to take more advantage of structured exercise." he says.
"And the TOYA (training of young athletes) study by the Sports Council showed how much it can cost parents to give their children a good standard of sports. Some sports can be horrendously

the right gear, paying for lessons, joining a club." Mr Latham confirms that even the "more affluent" families in his survey would probably come into the category of

expensive when you count the cost of transporting, buying

The first rule is to be active yourself, and involve your children'

lower middle-class rather than upper middle-class, and so does not dispute Dr Arm-

So what is a parent to do?

Dr Armstrong says that if

average children are not receiving two hours PE per week at school, parents should make sure that they do at least three stretching exercise, such as running, walking, swimming, cycling or dancing, per week But most important, he says, is setting an active exam-ple. One of the things that came through our work is how important parents are as role models. Children take on board what their parents are doing, rather than what they are saying. As they get older they copy their parents' habits - taking the lift instead of the stairs, riding in a bus or car instead of walking. So the first rule is to be active yourself, and involve your children by tak-

cycle rides, and so on. Second, try to support your children taking activities. My own son, who's 16, trains for athletics, and I have to take him - drive him - to the athletics track because it's quite a way, and collect him afterwards. Encourage them to join groups such as Cubs and Brownies which encour-

ing them on nature walks,

"Help them to find activities they enjoy. There is no point in forcing children to participate in water polo at school if they hate it. But there will be some activities they will like.

"Finally, remember that violent exercise can be as danger-ous as too little exercise for children. Children's bones aren't up for marathon running — they need to wait until they've completely ossified [generally over 16] for that. The same is true with weighttraining and strength exercises - permanent damage

Both Dr Armstrong and Mr Latham agree that the solution is to make activity more interesting, as well as more accessi-ble. Parents should lobby politicians for affordable local leisure facilities which are open at a time children can attend," Dr Armstrong says.

He believes that there is a general consensus on the need for children to take the suggested three 20 minute sessions of exercise per week but says there has not yet been much research done on the optimum amounts of exercise

His studies so far have shown that "over half the girls and over a third of boys aged 11-16 didn't experience the equivalent of a ten minute walk in a week". These children were found to have "adverse" lipid profiles — 20 per cent with cholesterol levels above those recommended for adults, and cholesterol levels

should rise with age.
"We believe this is storing up big problems for the future, and the UK already leads the death league for coronary heart disease in the Western world," Dr Armstrong says. He says there is evidence that those who become active when young are more likely to stay active older.

Mr Latham and Peterborough Council are now trying to get schoolchildren who are volved with "mini-sports" designed for their capabilities, to supplement their PE curricuhum. The objective is "to make sport fun for them again", he says, "to get children back to

 Organisations interested in encouraging games and exer-cise for children include the following: Tumble Tots (021-585 7003) to be put in touch with a local franchisee; National Cricket Association. (071-289 6098) for the nearest school or club which organises games of Kwik Cricket: the Lawn Tennis Association (071-385 4233) for local short tennis groups and advice on equipment; the British Amateur Rugby League Association (via Brian Chambers, National Coaching Coordinator: 0925 265487) and the Rugby Football Union (081-892 8161) will give information on "mini" or "new age" rugby groups in your area or how to start one up. The Sports Council (071-388 1277) provides an information pack called "Teaching children to play games" aimed at primary school teachers. National Children's Play and Recreation Unit (071-383 5455) can give information on sporting organisations and the National Playing Fields Asso-ciation (071-584 6445) will give information on outdoor and playing fields facilities throughout the country.



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kle more noticeably because they have so little fat to stop the skin from sagging — and that surgery is less successful because there is

little fat to work with. While conventional medical thinking is still that surplus fat can contribute to heart disease and other ailments, there is evidence to support the theory that a well-upholstered frame provides a custion against some of the ravages of old age. Dr Reubin Andres, the clinical director of the Gerontology Research. Center of the US National Institute on Aging says "in men and women the best body weight associated with survival increases with age

Dr Andres, who analysed data on morbidity and mortality from insurance companies. found that "the best weight for young people is lower than those recommended on the weight charts, when you hit 40 these recommended weights are about correct, and when you get into the fifties and sixties the best weight for survival is maybe 15 or 20 pounds more".

tends to put on a small amount of weight as the years go by that survives best," Dr Andres says. "Middle-aged spread may be health and longevity studied 3,000 "super younger than their age

. "It is the segment of the population that

conclusions about optimum weight levels. "The super-young tended to be average conclusions about optimum weight or about a stone above it. They did not go in for excessive simming but at sensibly."

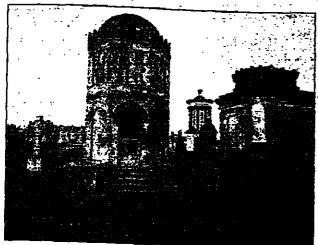
Dr. Weeks, a clinical psychologist, found that there was a genetic link, with mood Energy levels and metabolism these people were optimistic outlook, which these people were would say this its a minor weight didn't, but would say this is a minor weight gain; but those who are sceptical, persumstic and cynical would say this cynical would say this is the first sign of a downward decline into age and decay."

According to Professor Malcolm Whitehead King's College London — a medical advisor to the Amarant Trust, the menopause research charity — fatter women frequently have an easier time at menopause than their slimmer

sisters because fat produces its own oestrogen. The message seems to be that a few more pounds, on your waist if not in your pocket, are



Architects are being challenged to create a mausoleum that is a celebration of life. Callum Murray reports



Exit worthy of aspiration: the Glasgow Necropolis

A higher death by design

north London, is not in the modern, open, rolling lawns tradition. Narrow alleys wind between 150year-old avenues of trees. Ivy has run wild, climbing up and engulfing headstones. Occasionally a Victorian stone angel can be seen hovering above the thickets of brambles.

The headstones themselves are set back-to-back, side-toside and face-to-face. Burials took place here regularly until the early 1970s,

when practically Death was available piece of ground, including the edges of the avea big ritual. nues. was filled You were up. If you stand in one of the alleys always looking into the going to wilderness, the headstones range from the small, funerals mean and recent and wakes at the front to the sombre and mag-

als of the last century at Abney Park is the site of a new and unusual competition being launched by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) today for the design of a mausoleum. For the purposes of the competition, a site has been suggested on the last piece of ground that has yet to be dug: the strip of lawn to one inside the main gates. This is, however, an "ideas" competition which means that the winning design may never be built. If it is, it need not

necessarily be built at Abney The promoter of the compe-

bney Park Cemetery in Stoke Newington, the prize money, which totals the prize money, which totals £5,500 — is Bob Borzello, the founder of Camden Graphics. a well-known name in the manufacture of greetings cards. The manusoleum is to be

designed with him in mind. Mr Borzello was brought up in Chicago, of an Italian-American family, and came to England in the late 1960s. During his time in the UK he has noticed that people have what he calls a "bad attitude" to death. "People are almost

ashamed of it," he says. He reserves his deepest scorn for the plastic name signs found in. remembrance gardens at crematoria. "They look like things you would find in a market saying. 'Apples, 50p'," he says. Mr Borzello is a

small, brown, fit-

looking 56-year-old with thick, black eyebrows and closecropped grey hair. He looks lastian, although it is nearly a hundred years since his family moved to America. His up-bringing was heavily influ-enced by his Italian parentage.

"Death was a big ritual." he says. The phone would ring. 'Uncle Carlo's dead,' someone would say. You were always going to funerals and Twice a year, the family

would go to "decorate" the graves. "The whole car would be filled with plants," he remembers. "At Christmas, you'd spread what were called fir tree blankets on the grave. You'd spend the whole day.



You'd bring salami sandwiches and wine." He was particularly impressed by a cemetery in Chicago called Graceland, where the great architects Louis Sullivan and Ludwig Mies van der Rohe are buried. The monuments are wonderful," he says. "I generally got interested in architecture through that." The idea of petition for the design of a

mausoleum started as a joke.

however, when he was on holiday with friends in Italy. He had noticed that Italian graves were much more personalised than the ones in

a young boy was even carved in the shape of an American football helmet, to show that he had been a fan of that sport. Mr Borzello's idea was that a mausoleum could throw light not only on the person it commemorated, but also on the age in which he or she lived. "I thought it would be interesting to have a video," he says. "You could have a pering photos and newsreels."

The brief for the competi-

tion, which is open only to architects, calls for "an imaginative break from, rather than a development of the tradimausoleum". Mr this country. One tombstone of Borzello says that he is looking

for something that will reflect his own view; that "life is jolly, and death is just death". Is there not a danger that the competition will attract the merely trendy, a fashionable, impermanent architecture of wavy glass and steel which will look sadly out of keeping among the more dignified of Abney Park's memorials? "I don't want a tent." Mr The building will have to be

"This is a project I like." he concludes. "Hopefully, it will stimulate people to think along these lines. Whether it gets built or not is irrelevant."

forward rectangular set of

shelves has been fronted, for

no clear reason, by black doors

that form an outsize egg shape

and sport a clear acrylic convex

"yolk". Very jokey, as is a metal

wine rack repeatedly perforat-ed with outlines of reindeer

that it took three more Swedes

A trilogy of Danes, meanwhile, has come up with a

"salon" chair to which each

appears to have contributed an

element unbenown to the oth-

ers (the curved plywood back, polished aliminium chassis

and cow-horn, very nearly cabriole legs signally failing to



Hanging loose with Hillary

f he'd taken fashion into account. President Bush could have seen his fate rushing towards him like a two-ton truck. As America prepared to vote, New York's designers were forecasting a total wipeout of Republican values. Not that the information would have forearmed Bush one little bit. As far as fashion was concerned, that was that: he'd had it.

On the New York runway. every last remaining shred of the style that had been so successful during the Reagan/ Bush administrations looked irredeemably past it - out of place, out of time, almost craven in its lack of imagination.

Every single shape, form, colour and texture of the past 12 conservative years was thrown out in favour of its exact opposite. Where there was short and tight, now there is long and loose. Where colour was solid and opaque. there is now diaphanous print. Sharp has been replaced by soft; formal by informal. Short, hard hairstyles have grown long and unkept. Sta-tus dressing has been undone by the bohemian principle and free and easy youthfulness has thrown out uptight old age.

Among all this, what is most significant is the visible fash-

ion coalition between two generations, the young and the young middle-aged — in other words, the ones who joined together and swept Bill Clinton in. Broadly speaking, Seventh Avenue's younger designers, such as Marc Jacobs and Christian Frances Roth, agree with their elders, Donna Karan, Calvin Klein and Ralph Lauren — in just the way that today's American teenagers have turned out to share, rather than challenge, the beliefs of their former

hippy parents. In the 1980s fashion - led by the American designers excluded the young in favour of making a bullet-proof image for workaholic corporate achievers in their thirties. Now, they've changed their alliegance. Calvin Klein and Donna Karan have declared that power dressing is over; Ralph Lauren switched overnight from doing men's pinstriped suits for women last season, to presenting gentle, floaty stuff in his show last

All these designers touch on 1960s and 1970s fashion print frocks, bellbottoms, long hair. tunics. caftans — though the result is never so cloyingly literal as it looked in Milan. Meanwhile, the truly teenage a supposedly anti-fashion movement that mixes up hippy and punk - two styles invented by its parents' generation in the 1960s and 1970s. Grunge comes out of Seattle

and affects a certain wildness

of behaviour, lack of hair-



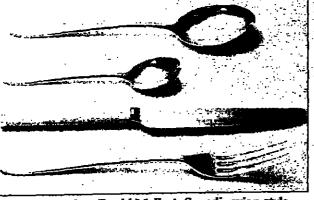
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washing and looking like you slept in your clothes — but is essentially non-aggressive and tends to charm rather than

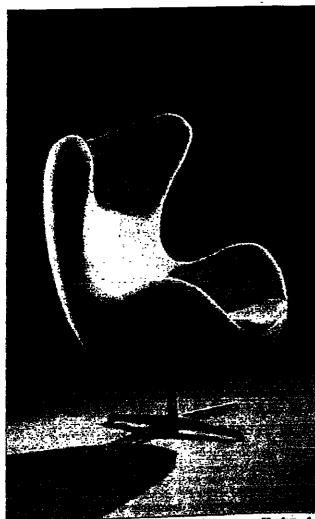
alarm Mom and Dad. One worry in all this warmhearted cross-generational liberalism is: where does it leave the woman? On the runways, the 6ft Amazons have been chased away by pale, flat-chested 16-year-old nymphs. Every time a go-to-work grey wool suit passes by, fashion editors scarcely suppress their yawns. Among the ranks of the Donna Karan audience, whisperings broke out about how these fragile, wispy layers of georgette were going to stand up to breakfast meetings
— let alone children. No-one carped about the beauty of the stuff - but where, they worried, would they wear it?

merican fashion, like American politics, is refocusing on what goes down at home. Because women are still the symbolic vehicle of cultural aspirations, that means they're being offered relentlessly domestic dressing - transparent house-coats, chiffon aprons and visible underwear - and not a stitch to put on to go to work. It began to remind me of what happened to Hillary Clinton. who had to be pushed back into the kitchen, made to shut up and look prettier.

It won't last. Just as Hillary will never be able to bite her tongue for long, so the American woman at large will prove remarkably mulish in the face of clothes that don't fit her selfimage. The image conveyed by all the peace and love stuff is not about to push her backwards. On one point though. the nostalgia is nicely congruent with the mood among American women. The one thing designers consistently fail to mention about the late 1960s and early 1970s is that they also saw the feminist movement soar to the height White House, the election of more women to the Senate. and the emergence of the Third Wave of feminists, the signs are that women - and their daughters - are about to remind America of that fact in



Trend setting: David Mellor's Scandinavian-style cutlery influenced a new generation of designers



An enduring Scandinavian classic this "Egg Chair" of 1957, by Arne Jacobsen, has never gone out of style

The Scandinavian style warriors invade again

candinavian Modern the phrase has a clean-limbed, post-Festival of Britain, blonde and rather sexy ring to it all that athletic, pale beech furniture of the 1950s and 1960s set against thuddingly strong orange and pink Marimekko fabrics from

For some, however, this image of the Nordic hey-day of design is not at all the one that springs to mind. For them there linger only the ponder-ous G-Plan interpretations of the theme, together with endless long-necked blue glass bottles. But now Ikea, the Swedish furniture giant, has devoured a newly bleached pine and terracotta Habitat and is firmly poised to assert all of its considerable muscle in the high street. And a new and expertly mounted exhibition at the Design Museum, minutely exploring the whole Scandinavian design ethic, is

extremely welcome. The show looks back to the beginnings in 1930 - paying due respect to, among others, the great Finnish architect and designer Alvar Aalto, while delivering a meaty retrospec-tive of all the simultaneously loved and hated "contemporary stuff, which in this country took us roughly from The Young Ones to A Hard Day's Night. The most stimulating part of the exhibition. however, looks to the present and the future. Does Scandinavian design have a future? Indeed, since its golden period, has there been any progress at all? If you think not, this really rather groovy exhibition will make you think again: when, after all, did you last see a chair upholstered in lime-green cattish skin?

Everybody remembers G-Plan and long-necked blue vases, but does

Nordic design still have relevance?

But the more modestly-sized and accessible items will most appeal to the British: a brilhantly simple egg-timer, for instance, by Mads Odgard of Denmark, comprising a small black, calibrated wheel set in a coloured arrowhead base, whose point serves as the time indicator - priced at only £11. Different and appealing, too, are the black square grill pans with blue handles from Nor-way by a designer with the un-Norwegian name of John R S Houghton.

The Finnish designer Brita Flander contributes a stunning pendant light - a gently curved sheet of frosted plate glass flung from long, elegant-ly graduated nylon cords, paced like guitar strings. Also from Finland, by that country's leading designer. Stefan Lindfors, is, to the terminally acquisitive, one of the most desirable objects of all - a fabulous adjustable desk lamp in the form of a gold anodised aluminium predatory scorpion (£900). Many other stardesigns are uncompromisingly new, such as a beautiful computer stand from Iceland's Dennis Johannesson, with casually proffered circular and rectan-

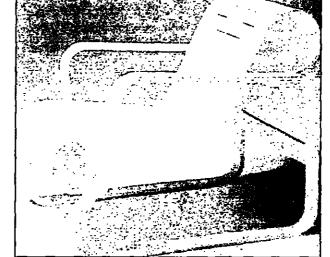
forebears. Many, too, that

come together). n many pockets of Britain the Scandinavian look never really went away, thanks to the influence of designers such as Ron Carter, Robert Welch and David Mellor, whose cutlery shapes cast a long shadow. G-Plan, with its period piece room dividers (not forgetting "The Most Comfortable Chair in the World") may have fallen gular planes in black and red. That said, there are also by the wayside along with that many pieces, particularly pioneer of modular furniture, chairs, that are hard to believe Ladderax, but Ercol, Denby were designed in the 1990s, so Pottery, Dartington Glass at home would they seem in and, of course, Habitat are still the upstairs gallery with their going strong.
Some classics, such as Arne

to design.

the twin-headed attack of this invigoratingly presented new design, allied with Ikea's appeal to economy, could render imminent a high profile revival of all things Scandinavian. JOSEPH CONNOLLY down 60-odd years ago by Scandinavia's first design generation; a CD cupboard by Sweden's Camilla Wessman. say, where a perfectly straight-

Scandinavian Design is at the Design Museum, Butler's Wharf, London, SEI 2YD (071 403 6933) from November 12 until



Looking back to design basics: the "Piamo Chair" by the Finnish architect and designer Alvar Aalto

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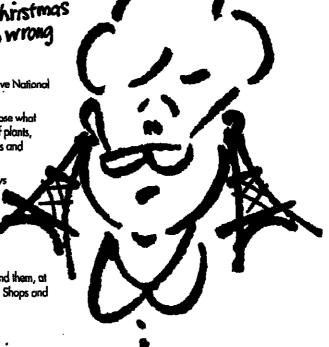
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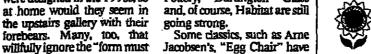
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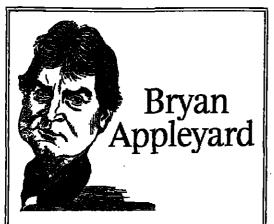


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Today's vote on the ordination of women will cause damage whatever the result, writes Henry Chadwick A church in two minds



■ Britain's huge weapons industry may be defended as a force for moral good

robably the last thing you can respectably say at a dinner party is that you are an arms dealer. However aboveboard your activities, however kosher and Foreign Office-approved your deals, you will remain, in the minds of the other diners, a dealer in blood.

Set against that emotional pre-judgment, your defence, however rational, will appear cold and beside the point. Strategic considerations will seem pompous and dubious, the benefits for domestic employment shabby and depressing. It is this confrontation — between public queasiness and the realpolitik of the arms trade - that, once the issue of cabinet lies has been dealt with, awaits us at the end of the strange and terrible Matrix Churchill affair.

We decided to arm Iraq. There was good strategic logic involved. The arming of Iran was a fait accompli and we faced the prospect of a large, radical Islamic state dominating the Gulf region. In the context of the Cold war such a prospect represented one of the last great possibilities of global conflict. Shoring up Saddam Hussein was, therefore, consistent with the old British tradition of neutralising a threat by balancing power. Besides, if we didn't,

somebody else would. But the point was that it was a decision for the British. Arming Saddam was not a moral issue for the Spanish, the Swedes or the Venezuelans. We could do it and we needed to do it. Whether we like it or not, thousands, maybe millions, of British manufacturing jobs depend on the defence industry.

e make exceedingly good weapons, among the best in the world. We do so because the experience of two world wars has convinced us that we must and because we have a demanding and effective military establishment. Sadly, we also make good weapons because Germany and Japan have been

hampered in doing so.
But, with the collapse of the rest of our manufacturing base, this has produced a rather bloodthirstily unbalanced industrial economy. As prime minister, Baroness Thatcher certainly saw, though she did not acknowledge, the paradox of our position in the 1980s. There she was, championing the free market, while our most consistent industrial successes as well as at least half of our research and development investment were based entirely on government

defence spending. Such an industrial imbalance invites a bizarre and unflattering comparison with Boris Yeltsin's Russia. Just as the Russians are almost unable to stop making tanks and guns because there is little else that large numbers of the workforce are equipped or qualified to do. so Cold-war peace that could eliminate even more of

t is a grim and depressing spectacle: Britain, once the industrial leader of the world, has become one of its foremost armourers. An imperial foreign policy becomes a weapons-based network of bribery and persuasion. And that, of course, means that we too can be bribed or persuaded. I learnt without enthusiasm the other day that China seems to be waving a £300 million arms deal under our noses, presumably in the hope that we shall play ball over Hong Kong. One talent the Chinese government possesses in abundance is the ability to spot its opponent's weaknesses.

But what is the alternative? The queasy diners might wish us to become whingeing Swedes, forever on the sanctimonious sidelines of foreign affairs. But that would mean no defence industry. And there is a further, more elusive, point. There will always be arms and, consequently, there will always be arms dealers. One fact about the world which the comfortable Europeans often forget is that billions live uncomfortably under regimes that will happily kill them if it serves their purposes. If somebody, without the benefit of our present hindsight, had to arm Iraq against an overbearing Iran, perhaps it was better that it was Britain rather than China.

Such an argument requires an underlying attitude that sits uneasily in modern Britain. It requires us to believe we are a force for good and that others are a force for evil. There is nothing ethically neutral about technology; no bullet or microchip is free of moral significance. Each requires a decision from somebody. Perhaps, sadly, history has chosen us.

here will be no envying the General Synod of the Church of England as its members proceed to vote on the proposal to ordain women. On both sides of the debate the depth of conviction is strong and, whatever decision is reached, many devoted members of the church are going to be hurt. The balance of disruption is impossible to estimate.

and no vote either way can

reasonably be based on forecasts

about that.

There are rational considerations on either side. Arguments felt compelling by one side, however, carry so little weight for the other side that each is tempted to explain away the disagreement by invoking irrational factors. Conservative minds believing that, in a matter as central as the sacraments, the church's first duty is to the will of Christ expressed in sacred tradition through two millennia, think the advocates of priesthood for women are too secular. There are many professional women (and men) who blush for shame that the church should not do as the world does

and admit women to "the

highest offices", and a negative

decision by the synod will leave divine call both for themselves to be massive. To resign is to They were not impressed by the them angry and embarrassed before the mockery of friends. The conservative arguments can be represented as unconsciously motivated by the desire to preserve a safe male club. For

many on both sides there is a

sense of exhaustion with any

argument, that the matter is to

be decided by the solar plexus

rather than the head.

The synod would be having an easier time if the good arguments were all on one side. The fear that the theological considerations might be evenly balanced, or too obscure, may lead some to vote on merely pragmatic grounds, believing that if this is bound to happen sooner or later, one might as well do it now, and at least that would get the subject off the synod's agenda for the future.

That some acute difficulties lie in the practical realm is obvious. If the legislation were to fail, sharp pain would be caused to women convinced of a

as individuals and for their sex. If the legislation were to be approved, acute problems will arise for those conscientiously unable to assent. Despite assurances to the contrary, experience elsewhere enforces the conclusion that safeguards for opponents are of no lasting value. So if a positive decision emerges, it needs to be made with the steely realisation that there will be

losses of both men and women

whom the church will be

grieved to be losing. We shall have the opposite position to that prevailing in the Roman Catholic Church, where no priest will be considered for episcopal ministry if he is not persuaded of the case against women priests. Bishops who in the abstract favour women priests can be heard expressing agonised sadness about the consequences for some of their

finest dergy. Not that on either side the number of resignations is likely

relinquish hope of influencing the discussion, and neither group will want to make life easy for opponents by taking to the lifeboats.

Much the most powerful ar-gument in favour of having women as priests and bishops is based on considerations of justice. It is hard to contest the point that if the church has the authority to do this, and refuses to do it, an injustice is being inflicted on half the human race. Ancient society, as Cicero once remarked, was grossly unfair to women. Christianity is rooted in its ancient origins, but has also been very good at adapting to successive cultures and societies. Witness to the Rock of Ages is not necessarily achieved by immobility.

The point is far from recent in the debate. Such masters of clear thinking as Scotus and other medieval schoolmen considered the question of justice to women in precisely these terms. consideration that in ancient and medieval times the ordination of women was confined to heretical and schismatical groups. That apparently cut no ice. Yet, they felt, if the great church has not allowed it, there could be no good reasons for adhering to an unchanging tradition. And some among them suggested that perhaps priesthood in both East and West could be linked to the

ministerial role of representing

Jesus the man in the making of his mediatorial, priestly self-offering to the Father. Natural

likeness is an element among

those which make a sacrament

a fitting and potent symbo.

The first of these arguments raises in sharp form the prob-lem of authority. It is no accident that among the opponents of priesthood for women are Bible Protestants who dis-

the authority of scripture. At the official level not only Roman Catholics but also Orthodox set intense value on the continuity of the community. They fear that this indispensable continuity of the apostolic tradition could be rendered ambiguous by so considerable a change unless there were dear authority or consensus expressed through

common council.

Among Anglicans, respect for scripture and sacred tradition remains strong. The desire for shared consent, for the avoidance of unilateral acts that have a long history of divisiveness. will survive disappointment with the Vatican's less than enthusiastic response to the dialogue with Canterbury. Al-though the feeling may be widespread that if one is going to be hung for a lamb it might as well be a sheep, this natural reaction is not easily sustainable if the Church of England wants to affirm, and to assure partners that it is affirming, its continuity with the tradition.

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The worst European of all

French small-mindedness is the real enemy of international co-operation both inside and beyond the Community

SIMON JENKINS

confess my jaw dropped. Britain's position on Europe after all last week's bloodletting was "unacceptable", said the President of France on Monday night. "One should not be surprised," he added, since on all such things "we have the same sort of difficulties with Britain". What Europe needed, said the president with heavy irony, was a British prime

minister to "stick to his word". Those whose heels have long cooled in the padded chanceries of Europe will see nothing odd in such words from Paris. The stereotype has France as the "good European", Britain as the isolationist. From the fleshpots of Brussels to the banqueting halls of the Elysée, Albion perfidious and alone is the digestif to every diplomatic repast. British visitors are expected to smile sweetly and say, of course, but you know, our history... When Britons hit back it is greeted with deep offence. How could anybody be rude about France? France is in the right. Britons are the fools of Europe.

There is rarely much purchase in interstate rudery. France is passing through a tough patch. Proust's "immense human being" is adjusting painfully to Europe's "congeries of individuals". I admire France's single-minded nationalism. The beauty of its cities and the quality of its cuisine cannot be wholly unrelated to the cultural monotheism of its politics.

But there are limits and they were surely crossed by the monumental hypocrisy of the French president on Monday. His government had last week perpetrated an international outrage. It had schemed and wriggled and obfuscated to wreck the most important international treaty not just of the decade but possibly since the last world war: the Uruguay round of Gatt. Its purpose in freeing some \$200 billion in

world trade is to fight global recession, promote prosperity and bridge the gap between rich and poor economies. France has subverted it without shame. pretending that the United States is the guilty party in the latest breakdown.

In explaining their wrecking tactics, French diplomats have

the cheek to accuse others of not understanding the organic rela-tionship between farmers and French politics. The farmers are the new musketeers. Last summer they defied Disneyland itself in defence of French culture, the artichoke and oilseed rape. Others understand all too well. For two decades, French negotiators within the Community have fought against farm reform, bleeding the EC budget and impeding steps towards more open markets. They do so because, ever since the war, French politicians have been too weak to rationalise and shrink their inefficient farm industry. indeed have used the EC to prop it up. And they chide John Major for conceding a delay to his backbench sceptics over Maastricht

hat expensive concessions did M Mitterrand make to rescue his own Maastricht vote last September? He pointed out on Monday that Mr Major signed a treaty and should now "keep his word". But was M Mitterrand keeping his word when, out of political self-interest, he put Maastricht to a referendum? What if he had lost and European union had foundered merely through the unpopularity of the French government? More than a word would have been broken.

The behaviour of Jacques Delors is no less outrageous as he now blatantly uses his job as European president to run for the leadership of France. Even the American agriculture secretary, Ed Madigan, no stranger to the rough-houses of lobby politics, professed himself appalled at M Delors's treatment of his negotiator, Ray Mc-Sharry, during the trade negoti-

ations in Chicago last week. Mr



McSharry, himself no shrinking violet, stormed off home to Ireland in disgust.

M Delors duly played the wounded husband whose wife has just hurled the Sevres at him for unreasonable behaviour: a smile and a shrug of the shoulders. Yet both EC and American sources are unequivo-cal. M Delors sabotaged an EC commitment to push a deal with

America lest it endanger his personal prospects in France. I believe it is little short of corrupt for senior Brussels officials to be allowed to run for office subse-quently in their home countries.

At Monday's meeting of foreign ministers, an exhausted Douglas Hurd had to explain Britain's Maastricht delay - it was better surely than no ratification at all - and resist French demands for an immediate and ruinous retaliatory trade war against America. France was unsuccessful, so far. France's Monday response was the diplomacy of anarchy. It was the

response of a politics inherently

hostile to the discipline of inter-

national co-operation. M Mit-terrand appeares his farm lobby

by saying. We cannot be asked to give up what is the heart of

France, in 1992?

In its refusal to take part in Nato, its tardy decolonisation. its opportunism in arms sales, as aversion to EC competition policy, its opposition to farm reform, France ranks among the world's most reactionary states. France does not ask what it can do for Europe, only what Europe can do for France, basis of Margaret Thatcher's secret admiration. The imperialism of the Delors presidency was one manifestation of this, the expen-sive rituals, the packing of his staff with French polytechnic-iens, the insistence on French as the working language. These all suggested a nation that has lost self-confidence and had hoped beyond hope that it could find a new one as leader of Europe. So to misunderstand the Germans was an error indeed.

nless French hypocrisy is declared as such. then the Europe of which it claims ideological leadership will slide into a lethal isolationism. Gatt is an awful warning. Paris, with M Mitterrand as its Ozymandias. can retreat into petite France. marginalised from the trade upheavals sweeping the globe, languishing behind fiercely de-fended tariff walls, a mental offshore island in the centre of a continent, a theme park of Gallic glory. Its parastatals can feed the anti-Japanese, anti-American, even anti-Brussels prejudices of the Paris mandarinate. But Europe will be the poorer for it. Yesterday French officials threatened that delay in ratifying Maastricht - surely one of the world's least urgent treaties - would jeopardise a wider Europe, as if a wider Europe was some magnanimous concession made by France to the rest of the world.

tute for political action and French European policy is strictly composed of abstract nouns. From Washington to Brussels, from Geneva to London, officials might adapt M Mitterrand's own words, "on all the big agreements in recent years, we have had the same sort of difficulties with France". French small-mindedness is the true enemy of international co-operation both inside and beyond Europe. But then a French philosopher will doubtless explain that irony is the glory of Gallic thought. If so, we must remember it when next M Mitterrand delivers one of his pompous lectures.

Abstract nouns are no substi-

Earth shaker

IT IS not John Major's week for ratifying treaties of international importance. Having come under fire from the French for his delay on Maastricht, he is incurring the wrath of his more environmentally minded neighbours by dragging his feet on ratification of the main achievement of the Earth Summit.

The Convention on Climate Change was agreed by 150 countries in June and Britain was a leading player in securing the eleventh-hour signature of the United States. Indeed, so keen was Britain on the convention that the prime minister wrote to G7 and EC leaders to urge speedy ratification.

So why has Britain suddenly gone cold? The answer, in one word, is money. To implement the agreement, Britain would have to spend at least £100 million promoting energy conservation measures. With the chancellor expected to announce belt tighting on a mammoth scale in tomorrow's Autumn Statement, commitments at Rio are likely to be an early casualty.

To add to the government's embarrassment, the US, the most reluctant signatory, has already ratified. Even Denmark is moving faster than Britain. "We will ratify

very soon," said a spokeswoman for the Danish ministry of foreign affairs. The DoE is bravely claiming British ratification will take place by the end of 1993, but the Treasury insists that the agreement be ratified by Britain only when all other countries have done so.

"That means that Britain will not ratify the convention until countries like Lesotho have done so," says one environmental campaigner. "It is outrageous." David Bellamy is equally appalled. "What are we going to welsh on next? John Major was badly advised to sign up to these treaties. It would have been braver to have refused. We have the companies which are at the forefront of technology to reduce greenhouse gases. The government should invest in them, create worthwhile jobs and help the

environment." But Major has not totally given up. "We will turn the words of Rio into the reality of a better environment," he said last month. But not if the Treasury has its way, it seems.

Red alert

KEN LIVINGSTONE, the left's unequivocal voice of reason, has



upset his colleagues in Brussels to such an extent that they have considered taking legal action in an attempt to make him eat - or at least withdraw — his words.

During Labour's Blackpool conference, Livingstone launched a particularly scathing attack on the MEPs through his column in The Sun, castigating them over their part in the Maastricht affair. Never noted for his understatement, he compared their actions to those of Dr Goebbels.

So incensed was his own party abroad that Glyn Ford, leader of the Labour group in Brussels, sought legal advice in an attempt to extract an apology for the article. 'The funny thing is," confides the member for Brent East, "that the lawyer told the MEPs the piece was justified. As a result, the Labour group shelled out a substantial sum

on legal fees - for nothing." Ford is unrepentant. "We did seek legal advice, but because we were not clearly identified in the article we were told it would be extremely difficult to insist on an apology".

King Cole

DOT COTTON, the chain-smoking harridan from EastEnders, has joined Baroness Thatcher to pay tribute to John Cole, the BBC's re-cently retired political editor. The unlikely allies come together in a 15-minute video prepared by Lance Price, a fellow BBC political correspondent

Cotton, alias June Brown, de-

clares that while the country could just about manage without John Major, the departure of Cole is a calamity. Lady Thatcher predicts that Cole will miss his old lifestyle. "He will just have to adapt," she says firmly. "Let me tell you. You do it and you begin to love the new life." Neil Kinnock, clearly a man thinking about future employment. says somewhat tongue in cheek: People are talking about him becoming president of the European Commission. I am prepared to endorse it myself." But Cole is unlikely to be short of job offers. Dot Cotton. for one, is lobbying to get him onto the cast of EastEnders before he is signed up by Eldorado.





• One sad consequence of the American election result is the demise of Quayle Quarterly, a magazine devoted to blunders made by the outgoing vice-president, left. The magazine had a field day with Quayle's spelling of potato. As it accompanies Quayle into political obscurity the magazine's last headline will be "Democracy without Dan". The magazine's creators will be watching Al Gore, right, with interest.

Hot dog

CHRIS PATTEN is beginning to believe that the local geomanoers are right. His feng shui is not look-ing too hot. But if the omens are had for Patten, they are extremly bleak for Soda, his Norfolk terrier. Soda disappeared on Sunday while out for a walk in the streets of Hong

Kong with the governor's wife, Lavender. Several searches have failed to find the plump six-monthold pet one of a pair at Govern-ment House — the other is somewhat inevitably called Whisky. So upset is Patten that he has offered a reward of HK\$1,000.

roughly £85. But few are holding out much

hope. Hong Kong is not a good place to go missing if you have four legs and a tail. The unspoken fear is that Soda ends up as "fragrant meat", the euphemism for cooked



 Newham Borough Council is the place to be if you are aged between five and eleven. While schoolchildren in the rest of the country toiled at their mental arithmetic, children in Newham, east London, had yesterday off to celebrate the birthday of Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism. Newham coun-cil, which has a 50 per cent ethnic population, has declared the day an annual holiday along with October 26, Divali, and March 25,





ARMS AND THE MINISTERS

A judicial enquiry may not save the government's face

Industrialists cannot be expected to make policy on arms sales. Ministers must set policy, defend it in Parliament - and not betray the public trust by operating another policy in secret. That should be the essential nubric for the independent judicial enquiry which was announced yesterday into the Matrix-Churchill case.

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Documents relating to the collapsed Matrix-Churchill prosecution disprove by themselves the Department of Trade and Industry's pretence, proffered in the teeth of evidence gathered in Iraq since 1990, that it had followed the "spirit" of Britain's embargo on lethal exports to Iran and Iraq, laid down in 1985. The case against ministers is that they deceived Parliament, privately exhorted industrialists to bend the law, and then invoked official secrecy to conceal the deception. This, if proved, damages public trust in government at home, and abroad, Britain's influence in the strategically vital task of effective arms controls.

Yesterday the Attorney General suggested as the main enquiry focus for Lord Justice Scott the operation of export licensing rules. But there are likely to be few surprises there. Sixteen months ago the Commons trade and industry committee published a list of exports to Iraq classified by the DTI as "nonmilitary". The list included air defence simulators, dual-use chemicals and gun sound-rangers. Matrix was only one of dozens of British companies selling Iraq arms-related technology. The issue is not the operation of the policy, nor even whether it was wise, but whether the policy as stated was the real policy in force.

The context of this affair is clear enough: Countries with large defence industries like to encourage weapons and weapons-related exports to offset the costs of domestic

purchases. The main buyers tend to be unsavoury governments. Jobs at home tend to weigh heavier in the scales than foreign deaths, and this commercial special pleading may well have influenced ministers. Iraq's principal armourers were not British. but Soviet and French. These other foreign suppliers, however, made no pretence about the trade. There is compelling evidence that the British government, by contrast, preached virtue in public while conniving with exporters to outwit its own embargo.

The government's determination not to admit this duplicity exposed Paul Henderson and his colleagues to possible imprisonment, for breaking rules they believed not to be in force. In the Matrix Churchill case, there may have been important intelligence considerations. Mr Henderson's intelligence role is highly relevant to the enquiry. But why then were HM Customs and Excise allowed to proceed with a prosecution, if national security interests were at stake? Was it just incompetence?

Put at its most cynical, ministers disobeved the first law in intelligence do not get caught. Four ministers, three of them in the Cabinet, then sought in the "public interest" to deny clearly embarrassing documents to the defence, and instructed counsel to argue that the papers would not help the defendants. They must have known that their embarrassment would be compounded if the judge, Mr Justice Smedley, decided otherwise. Ever since Britain's contribution to Iraq's military machine became public knowledge, British ministers have doggedly obeyed the first law of politics: do not defend the indefensible. Governments generally hope that judicial enquiries will decrease the pressures on them; this one may only postpone the reckoning.

PRESIDENTIAL TALENT

Bill Clinton should hire Republicans as well as Democrats

"A ministry of all the talents" is not the happiest memory in the history of British politics. It may have provided the dying fall to Charles James Fox's career but otherwise the administration that Lord Grenville formed in 1806 did not achieve very much. But then in Britain co-operation between leading figures in all the parties tends to work only under the threat of immediate national danger. Churchill proved that in 1940 and, in his own more ambitious way, Lloyd George did the same in 1916.

America, however, is another country. Free from having the Commons as a cockpit for parliamentary combat, it has always been able to afford to take greater liberties with party loyalties. If President-elect Clinton is serious about bringing "the best and the brightest" into his new administration, then it is an initiative that can only be welcomed. There is a healthy American political tradition of new presidents reaching across normal partisan barriers to make appointments. By inviting prominent Republicans to serve under him, he would only be emulating the example of his hero. President Kennedy, who had no compunetion at all about recruiting Douglas Dillon a Wall Street Republican — to serve as his

secretary of the treasury.

The new president probably has too many of his own ideas of what he wants to do on the economic front to make such a bipartisan appointment possible on this occasion. Both at the treasury and at the office of the budget he is liable to want people who identify instinctively with the plans he outlined on the campaign trail — imprecise and ill-thought-out though they often seemed to be. There are other jobs, however,

where he can display a greater degree of ecumenicism. Mr Warren Christopher once seemed to have a claim to the State Department - he served there as deputy secretary of state under President Carter and has been a major campaign supporter for the new president - but he is now apparently out of contention. Since Mr Clinton has no experience in the field of foreign policy, the outside world would certainly be reassured, not to say relieved, to see a steady hand at the tiller.

If Mr James Baker is excluded by his assent (reluctant though it was) to serve as President Bush's last-minute campaign manager, the former secretary of state could at least be charged with bringing his preliminary work on the Middle East peace conference to fruition. That would certainly make greater sense than expecting President Carter somehow to perform the miracle of reviving the spirit of Camp David - though even that would be preferable to dispatching the unfortunate ex-president as a one-man peace missionary to Northern Ireland.

If he is wise, Mr Clinton will recognise that there are some virtues in continuity. One test of his attitude here will be his readiness to leave his country's highly respected and professional ambassador in London, Raymond Seitz, en poste. But he could achieve the same objective across a broader front simply by making it clear - by his imminent actions as much as his words - that he will welcome into his new administration people of all parties and of none. As "a new kind of Democrat", Mr Clinton has a unique opportunity to turn his back on the politics of "pork barrel" and

ART SANS FRONTIERES

EC proposals on art sales would have stopped the Renaissance

Proposed directives restricting the move-ment of art across frontiers of the European Community were watered down yesterday, with the British chairman of the meeting of trade ministers being blamed for nationalism. This is good news for art and Europe. The proposals were mistaken, illiberal, a paperchase for form-filling bureaucrats, and an invitation to smugglers. They would not have achieved what they intended. And they misunderstood the meaning of art.

The rules would have allowed national governments to define their national heritage as widely as they liked to prevent its export. Countries such as Greece, Italy and Spain, which are rich in art though not in trade balances, fear that their national treasures will flood northwards in January to the richer markets. They want to list as national treasures millions of pictures, sculptures, drawings and other moveable works of art (in the widest sense) from potsherds to bones, and from furniture to stamp collections, to prevent their export.

Such regulations would not work It is impossible to erect a paper curtain of export licences around a country to prevent the passage of so many small objects. Smugglers, dealers and owners will find a way through. It is oppressive for a state to prevent owners from finding the best price for their property. And it is a mistake to treat so much art and heritage as national rather than personal possessions.

Most art is personal, international, footloose and unfettered by frontiers. Roman culture and art were pillaged from Greece. England's great national collections were built by aristocrats and aesthetes on their would never have happened.

grand tour, with an eye for culture, and (in the view of locals and their families at the time) more money than sense. Today America and Japan have come into the art market; but that is the way the art market always has worked. An artist has always been someone who

creates things, partly for pleasure or obsession, but also to make a living. National frontiers come into the artist's calculations. less those of other men. There are some "national treasures" so ingrained in a country's history that they should not be allowed to emigrate. Everyone's list will differ, but for England it might include the Wilton diptych (artist unknown, but probably French), the portrait of Henry VIII and his family in the Queen's collection, painted by Hans Holbein, the Rubens ceiling of the Banqueting Hall, and the Rokeby Venus. painted in Italy by the Spaniard Velazquez. The Winged Victory of Samothrace has become naturalised French; and St Mark's in Venice would not be itself without its horses from Byzantium, and its enigmatic pussy-cat lion from farther east.

Such "national treasures" can be kept within frontiers by regulation. In Britain the Waverley system lays down a pause after the market has fixed the value of a work, so that a British gallery or museum can try to match the price. So the nation gets a chance to consider the piece's "heritage" value, and to decide how badly it wants to keep the work. These national treasures will be by definition few. Most art is for the highest bidder. Under the proposed EC regulations against export of works of art, the Renaissance

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Today's vote on the ordination of women: history, priorities and conscience

within her or are compelled to leave

From Prebendary Michael Moreton

Sir, The interpretation by Professor

Tom Torrance of evidence for the

presence of women in the order of

priesthood is open to question (report,

Thus, it remains uncertain whether

Junia/Junian (Romans xvi, 7) and Nympha/Nymphan (Colossians iv,

15) are to be understood as masculine

or feminine, as any critical edition of

the Greek New Testament will show.

Again, the mural in the catacomb of St Priscilla in Rome, depicting her sitting at table with her husband perhaps and

other men, is to be found in a funeral

chamber, and not in a church; so that

it may well represent not the eucharist

(as Professor Torrance suggests), but a

As for the ninth-century mosaic in

the church of St Prassede, also in

Rome, in which Theodora, the mother

of Pope Paschal I, is entitled episcopa.

it should not be assumed that episcopa

means a woman bishop, for in that

case we should need to know of what

see she was the bishop. It is more likely

that episcopa means the wife, or as

here the mother of a bishop, just as

presbyterissa means the wife of a

presbyter and diaconissa the wife of a

There is not much straw here

wherewith Professor Torrance can

Sir, Some opponents of the ordination

of women as priests seem to think that

it would hinder ecumenical progress.

The Roman Catholic Church may be

opposed to the idea at present, but

Galileo has established that U-turns

Ecumenical progress with many other Churches, such as the Method-ists, would be facilitated by the

ordination of women. In many exist-

ing local ecumenical projects the

Anglican lady deacons are in an anomalous position with respect to the

Free Church lady ministers who are

authorised to celebrate the Eucharist.

Rome may take another 350 years to

recognise even the existing Anglican

This is an actual problem today.

are possible, even in the Vatican.

eacon.

Duryard,

Yours etc.

D. R. GOODMAN.

Ledbrooke House,

Oswaldkirk, York.

November 5.

Exeter, Devon.

November 7.

make his bricks.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL MORETON.

From Mr David Goodman

3 Glenthorne Road,

refrigerium, a meal for the dead.

her, like Newman.

SHERIDAN GILLEY.

University of Durham,

Palace Green, Durham.

Department of Theology.

Yours faithfully,

Abbey House,

November 7).

From the Chaplain of Keble College, Oxford

Sir, The tension that is palpably evident as the General Synod vote on the ordination of women to the priesthood draws near is an indication of how deeply the issue is felt on both sides. While Coleridge was right in saying that deep thinking is not attainable without deep feeling, too

much emotion can cloud judgment. This is indeed a disputed question, involving theological, ecclesiological, moral and sociological concerns, differently evaluated by different sides. What is regrettable is the simplistic labelling of "for" and "against", with the consequence that those who believe the legislation to be either wrong or lacking sufficient justifica-tion are described not simply as opponents but as "negative".

Those who will vote against the measure before Synod do so only because of their positive Christian concern for:

1. The identity and well-being of the Church of England, marked in part by its continuous claim to share the historic, three-fold ministry with Catholics and Orthodox.

2. The clear grounding of all decisions affecting faith and order in the teaching of Scripture and primitive tradition - the historic position of the Church of England. 3. A reverence for the mystery of

priesthood.

4. The avoidance of division in the Church of England by bringing into being a ministry that is not commonly

5. Avoiding new barriers to the reconciliation of the Churches.

These concerns can and should be maintained together with the affirmation of the ministry of women in the Church in every way that does not call into question the orders, catholic continuity and identity of the Church of England.

Yours sincerely, GEOFFREY ROWELL. Keble College, Oxford. November 9.

From Canon Michael Saward

Sir, I am going to the Synod on Wednesday to vote "yes" to the ordination of women. In the present circumstances, a narrow "yes" major-ity will (even if only just) confirm the ar mandate given throughout the land by Anglican church people.

To vote "no" will, it seems, produce situation in which one or two lay. members will have held the whole Church of England to ransom. That must be the worst of all scenarios. Who would want that on his, or her, conscience?

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL SAWARD (Canon Treasurer, St Paul's Cathedral), 6 Amen Court, EC4.

From the Chairman of the Prayer Book Society

Sir, The noble baronesses (letter, November 9) confuse ministry with priesthood. They also speak of being denied the help they think women priests could provide. If they are in need of social workers (which is what

Sir, Lord Blake (letter, October 31)

should be reminded that there was no

referendum to decide whether Britain

should join the European Commun-

ity. Sir Edward Heath, as he is now.

took us into the Common Market in

January 1973, solely on the ground

that he, his colleagues, and MPs of the other parties, believed it was the

right thing to do. The referendum was not held until June 1975.

There was not even a commitment

in the Conservative manifesto of the

preceding general election in 1970.

Some people, and I would be one of

them, might consider this the appro-

priate application of political vision

combined with the advantage of

knowing in depth the detailed nuances and implications of such a

decision. In a word this is called

statesmanship.
The 1975 referendum had been the

brainchild of Tony Benn, and though

the spirit of it was more appropriate to the early 1970s, before we joined the Community, it enabled the three main parties leaders, each of whom

now favoured Labour's "renegoti-

ation" of British terms of entry, to

deluge the public with united propa-

ganda as to why it was good for Brit-

ain to remain in Europe. Added to

their voices were those of others out-

side the Labour leadership - Roy Jenkins, Shirley Williams, David

Owen - who subsequently formed

The "renegotiation" was, as we now

know, entirely cosmetic and with no

meaningful or lasting benefits to

Britain. Thus the tardy misuse of

Tony Benn's honest attempt at

democracy enabled less gifted and

scrupulous politicians to remain in

place, to found their own abortive

party at a later stage, and finally to

keep Benn from where he might have

done Britain most good - fighting

Mrs Thatcher from the Opposition

Yours sincerely.
LAN FLINTOFF (EC Commission

spokesman, 1973-6), 22 Chaldon Road, SW6.

the SDP.

EC 'cosmetics'

From Mr Ian Flintoff

"help" would seem to imply) then women could provide such a service as women deacons without the necessity of becoming priests.

The pecresses also question the Church's priorities. Surely the prime duty of the Church is to uphold the historic creeds and not to bend them to promote feminist career opportunities.

It is indisputable that under the 1662 Ordinal a priest must be male. The Alternative Service Book Ordinal (p338) fudges the issue but does not change the pre-existing law. It is for this reason that draft Canon C4B is being tabled on Wednesday so that, if passed, the Book of Common Prayer and the 1662 Ordinal can be "neutered". The Synod, Sir, is playing with

Yours faithfully, C. A. A. KILMISTER. The Prayer Book Society, St James Garlickhythe, Garlick Hill, EC4.

From Mr J. S. Seeley

Sir, Baroness David and others state that the world "urgently needs the mission of the Church, but that mission is limited and handicapped by the exclusion of women from the ministry".

Since the Anglican Church represents such a very small proportion of the Christian Church world wide, it is difficult to see how the ordination of women on such a narrow front could have any beneficial effect on the widespread confusion and distress in the world, to which your correspondents refer.

Yours faithfully, J. S. SEELEY. Crippetts, 4 Pointers Hill, Westcott Dorking, Surrey. November 9.

From Mrs Elizabeth Percival

Sir, A vote in favour of women priests would make inescapable the breaking of the bonds with the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches. The Church of England would no longer be part of the "one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church", in which dergy and laity alike presently proclaim their

Members of the Synod cannot morally or logically argue that they can, on the one hand, keep their promise to uphold the doctrine of the Church of England and on the other hand deliberately destroy that same doctrine.

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH PERCIVAL, 17 Southwell Park Road. Camberley, Surrey.

November 9.

From Dr Sheridan Gilley

letter (November 9), advancing the "traditionally pragmatic" and nontheological religion of the English as a reason for ordaining women, very ably sums up the intellectual and spiritual powerlessness of the Church of England in any generation to resist the wisdom of this passing world.

This partly explains why so many of the Church's greatest saints and

English Heritage plans

Sir, Your correspondents (November

9) have drawn attention to English

Heritage's plans for its properties in

care but there has been no discussion

of its plans for historic towns and

Britain has a good record of

protecting individual buildings of

national importance, but compares far less well with France, Italy or The

Netherlands in safeguarding historic

towns as a whole. It is therefore a

cause for anxiety that English Heri-

tage should withdraw from partner-

ships with local authorities for such

towns. These have been developed

during the 20 years since conservation

grants were first introduced by a

The new strategy would place in

jeopardy a number, so far unspecified.

of joint town and conservation

schemes. Although a few of the

wealthier local authorities which have

an adequate conservation staff can

manage on their own, it is unrealistic

to suppose that most of the others could continue full-scale programmes

Sir, To deny food and fluids to a

patient like Tony Bland, the young

man severely brain damaged as a result of the Hillsborough stadium

disaster in 1989, will not "allow him

Rather, it will condemn him to a

slow, lingering death due to starvation and dehydration. That would not be

death with dignity. It would be brutal

It is extremely sad that those responsible for Mr Bland's care and

treatment believe that in view of the

apparently extremely poor prognosis

it may be appropriate to terminate what they call "life support systems".

If that means they wish to kill Mr

Bland by withholding food and fluids

(i.e., by starvation and dehydration)

then I cannot accept that their

to die" (report, November 4).

death by design and neglect.

Conservative government

Coma decision

From Mr Keith A. Davies

From Dame Jennifer Jenkins

areas, and for London.

without the professional advice and financial aid provided by English Heritage. When local government is being reorganised and many councils do not know whether they will survive much longer or what financial re-

From the Archbishop of Sydney

Sir, As a member of the Anglican

Church of Australia which is derived

from the Church of England and

whose constitution "retains and ap-

proves the doctrine and principles of

sources they will command, it is not an

appropriate time for English Heritage to opt out. English Heritage's proposal to hand over certain of its responsibilities to the 33 London boroughs would be equally damaging. The integrated professional team transferred to English Heritage when the Greater London Council was abolished has used its powers effectively to handle the exceptionally difficult develop-ment pressures of the capital city and

has won an international reputation for its work. To fragment this service into 33 pieces, each of which has some areas of architectural or historic importance. as well as a number of listed buildings, would not be an economical or efficient use of public funds.

Yours faithfully. JENNIFER JENKINS (Chairman, National Trust Council, 1986-90), 2 Kensington Park Gardens, W11.

proposals are medically, ethically, or

legally sound.

Mr Bland has been in a persistent regetative state for the past three-anda-half years, and he is being fed through a nasogastric tube. However, it is incorrect to describe the withholding of food and fluids by nasogastric tube as the termination of "life support systems" since that gives the false impression that Mr Bland is being

Yours faithfully, K. A. DAVIES (Co-ordinator, Life campaigns), Life House, Newbold Terrace. Learnington Spa, Warwickshire.

kept artificially alive by machine.

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prophets either, like Wesley, pass their lives in the disgrace of internal exile liberty of pointing out that, should the Church of England admit women to the order of priests, it will place itself out of communion (or into "impaired" communion) with dioceses such as my own which adhere to the present law of the Church of England in regard to

> I am, yours faithfully, DONALD ROBINSON, Anglican Church Diocese of Sydney. St Andrews House, Sydney Square, NSW 2000, Australia. November 2.

From Professor M. G. Haines

apostolic and catholic order.

Sir. Under the proposed legislation before Synod all future bishops will be chosen as the best not from the whole pool of ordained priests but from the restricted category of those who accept the ordination of women. This fact alone will block the proper elevation of many suitable priests to the episcopy, reducing them to a second class status; indeed, it amounts to establishing a 40th Article of Faith for those aspiring

to be bishops.

But there is a much worse and essentially flawed consequence. Over a period of time the House of Bishops, which has separate voting powers, will by the legislation almost certainly remain in favour of the ordination of women in perpetuity. Such irreversibility runs counter to the arguments of the protagonists of women priests, that the Church must be able to make changes in the light of social change.

Instead, after this legislation is passed, no change (for instance back to the status quo) will be possible, even if a large majority of the Church wishes it. We could think of an equivalent and unacceptable analogy of a parliament having an upper house with power of veto and permanently packed by law with members of only one political persuasion.

Therefore I conclude that whether members of the Synod are for or against the ordination of women, they must in all conscience vote against this flawed legislation. However, a simple amendment removing the separate voting power of the House of Bishops would remedy this particular flaw.

Yours sincerely. M. G. HAINES. 15 Mount Avenue, W5. November 5.

From Mr H. L. M. Walker

Sir, In the intercessions at our family Communion service yesterday the (lay) leader of our prayers finished his references to the decision of Synod on Wednesday with the words "let Thy will be done".

This encapsulated for me my refuctance to support the ordination of women to the priesthood. If those against are defeated they will consider it to be the will of God; if the reverse happens, those in favour have made it clear that they intend to continue the

What is our religion about if we only accept a decision as "God's will" if it goes in our favour?

Yours faithfully. H. L. M. WALKER, Forge Cottage, Little Walden, Saffron Walden, Essex. November 9.

Buver's premium From Mr Andrew James

Sir, There has been much huffing about the new buyer's premium to be charged by Sotheby's, effectively creating a margin of about 30 per cent between buyer and seller.

Most distributors of non-commodity goods would surely be delighted to give so small a discount to a retailer who is also prepared to promote their

Lord Derwent (letter, November 7) suggests that owners sell to dealers to price rather than 70 per cent of what the end-buyer is prepared to pay. This is rather disingenuous as they themselves are not the end-buyer, and their final customer is probably having to bear a mark-up of at least 30 per cent.

Yours sincerely, ANDREW JAMES, 79 Black Lion Lane, W6.

Rephrasing required

From Mr Steve Williams Sir. Mr Anthony Grant (letter,

November 9) is looking for more appropriate phrases to express stability. How about "as safe as the Governor of the Bank of England"?

Yours sincerely. STEVE WILLIAMS, 3 Forest Road, Dorridge, Solihull, West Midlands.

From Mrs Narguesse Stevens Sir, How about "safe as Norman Lamont's job"?

Yours faithfully. NARGUESSÉ STEVENS. 1 Chalklands, Saffron Walden, Essex.

From Herr Klaus Koentopp Sir, May I suggest "safe as the Bundesbank"?

Yours safely. KLAUS KOENTOPP. 256 Wendover Road. Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 10: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

The President of the Russian Federation and Madame Yeltsina risited The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh and remained to Luncheon.

The Duke of York was also

Present
The following were invited: His Excellency the Ambassador of the Russian Federation and Madame Pankina, Sir Brian and Lady Fall and Sir David and Lady Gillmore A Guard of Honour found by the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards was mounted in the

Quadrangle.
The Major General Commanding Household Division and the Field Officer in Brigade Waiting

Her Majesty, accompanied by His Royal Highness, this evening opened the Tender is the North: the Festival of Scandinavian Arts"
and attended a Gala Concert at the Barbican Centre, London EC2.

The Oueen and The Duke of Edinburgh were received by the Rt Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Brian Jenkins) and the Chairman of the Barbican Centre Committee (Mr Geoffrey Lawson).

The Queen of Denmark and The Prince of Denmark, The King and Queen of Sweden, The King and Queen of Norway. The Presi-dent of the Republic of Iceland and The President of the Republic of Finland and Mrs Koivisto were

The Countess of Airlie, Sir Kenneth Scott, Mr John Haslam and Major James Patrick were in

By Command of The Queen, the Viscount Long, Lord in Waiting, was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning upon the Artival of The President of the Republic of Finland and Mrs Koivisto, and welcomed His Excellency and Mrs Koivisto on

behalf of Her Majesty. By Command of The Queen, the viscount Long. Lord in Waiting, was present at Royal Air Force Northolt this afternoon upon the Arrival of The King and Queen of Sweden, and welcomed Their Majesties on behalf of Her Majesty.

By Command of The Queen, the Viscount St Davids, Lord in Waiting, was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this afternoon upon the Arrival of The Queen of Denmark and The Prince of Denmark, and welcomed Her Majesty and His Royal Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 10: The Prince Edward this evening attended the Northern Ballet Theatre's London Season Premiere of "A Christmas Carol" at the Royalty Theatre. Mrs Richard Warburton was in

BUCKINGHAM PALACE Association, this afternoon attended the National Conference and Annual General Meeting. followed by Dinner at the National Agricultural Centre, Kenilworth.

Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Warwickshire (Captain the Viscount Daventry). CLARENCE HOUSE

November 10: Lieutenant-Colonel Christopher MacKenzie-Beevor today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief, 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards, upon relinquishing his appoint-ment as Commanding Officer of the Regiment

Lieutenant-Colonel Mark Eliot also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming his appointment as Commanding Officer of the 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards. Ruth, lady Fermoy has suc-ceeded Dame Frances Campbell-

Preston as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen KENSINGTON PALACE

November 10: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this morning visited Duchy property in Mr David Landale was in

attendance. The Princess of Wales today visited the West Midlands and was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the West Midlands

the Earl of Aylesford).

Her Royal Highness this moming opened the new Genito-Urinary Medicine Department at Sandwell District General Hospital.
The Princess of Wales, Patron.

Turning Point, then attended a Reception at Wragge and Com-pany. 55 Colmore Row. Birmingham and subsequently at-tended a Luncheon at the International Convention Centre,

Her Royal Highness finally opened the Amanda Bevan Rehabilitation Centre, Hurst Road, Longford, Coventry. Mr Patrick Jephson was in

KENSINGTON PALACE November 10: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President, The Royal Ballet, was present this evening at a performance of "Mayerling" at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, as part of the Hamlyn Westminster Week. The Hon Mrs Wills was in

KENSINGTON PALACE November 10: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Gloucestershire and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant

(Mr Henry Elwes).
In the morning His Royal
Highness opened the Tenth
Anniversary Meeting of the
Gloucestershire Enterprise Agency, the Conference Centre, Nuclear Electric PLC, Barnwood,

In the afternoon The Duke of r, Grand Prior, President, Riding for the Disabled Order of St John, opened St John Walker, 80; Miss June Whitfield, annual luncheon held yesterday at Kirsten Boyd, Elizabeth House, the new County and Area actress, 67; Lord Wolfson, 65.

Headquarters of St John Ambulance, St George's Place, Cheltenham.

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Afterwards His Royal Highness opened the Cheltenham Recreation Centre, Tommy Taylors Lane, Cheltenham. Major Nicholas Barne was in

The Duchess of Gloucester today opened the redeveloped Longton Cottage Hospital, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Staffordshire (Sir Arthur Bryan).

Later Her Royal Highness opened the Child Development

Centre at City General Hospital. Hilton Road, Stoke-on-Trent. Mrs Michael Wigley was in

The Duke and Duchess Gloucester were present this eve-ning at a Recital given in aid of Historic Sites of Dubrovník at the Royal Festival Hall, London SE1. Mrs Michael Wigley and Major Nicholas Barne were in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

November 10: The Duke of Kent this evening arrived at Heathrow Airport, London from Munich,

Commander Roger Walker, RN was in attendance The Duchess of Kent this evening attended a Gala Concert and Dinner in aid of The Royal School of Church Music at The Guildhall, London.

Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell was in THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK

November 10: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy this evening attended a performance of The Merry Widow Cabaret" by Pavilion Opera, in aid of the Living Image Appeal for diagnostic equipment at Guy's and St Thomas's Hospitals, at The White House, Bond Street, London W1.

Birthdays today

Mrs Jane Barker, finance director London Stock Exchange, 43; Mr Harry Bramma, director, Royal School of Church Music, 56; Lord Carr of Hadley, 76; Rear-Admiral Sir Nigel Cecil, 67; Lord Dainton, 78; Mr Ron Greenwood, former 71: Air Marshal Sir Donald Hall 62; Sir Martin Jacomb, chairman, British Council, 63; Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, 72; Sir Harold Kent. QC, 89; Mr Rodney Marsh. cricketer. 45; Professor G.A.G. Mitchell, anatomist, 86; Dr Indraprasad Patel, former direc-tor, London School of Economics and Political Science, 68; Professor C. Bruce Perry, physician, 89; Mr Richard Rowe, jockey, 33; Mr John Sheffield, former chairman, Norcros. 79; Sir Peter Shepheard.

Forthcoming marriages

Captain D.M.J. Carter, RTR.

Mr J.B. Anderson and Miss S.E. Pilkington

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Anderson, of La Goulee, France, and Sarah, elder daughter of Sir Thomas and Lady Pilkington, of Kings Walden Bury, Herdordshire.

Mr M. Ashley Miller and Miss K.M. James

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs Peter Ashley Miller, of Beccles, Suffolk, and Katie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael James, of Barnes, London.

Mr C.E. Barber and Miss S.K. White The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Barber, of Cranleigh, Surrey, and Sophie, younger daughter of Mr Peter White, of Mauritius, and of Mrs Margaret White, of Chelsea, London. Lieutenant Commander A.P.W. Metcalfe, RN.

and Miss LT.R. Dennis The engagement is announced between Paul, only son of Com-mander and Mrs A. Metcalfe, of Pangbourne, Berkshire, and Lucinda, youngest daughter of the late Mr Michael Dennis and of Mrs Lesley Butcher, and step-daughter of Mr Geoffrey Butcher, of Graffham, West Sussex.

Memorial services Lord Rodney A memorial service for Lord Rod-ney will be held at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, on Thursday, December 10, at noon. Dr Ben R. Brown

A memorial service for Ben R. Brown, MA, DPhil (MA Cantab), Fellow of Oriel College 1954-92, will be held in The University Church, Oxford, on Saturday, November 14, 1992, at 2.30 pm. Mr Bill Dovell

A Eucharist Service in thanks-giving for the life of Mr Bill Dovell will be held in Lancing College Chapel at noon on Saturday, November 28, 1992. The address will be given by Father John Inge. Mr Dominic Sasse

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Dominic Sasse will be held at Christ Church, Victoria Road, London. W8, on Tuesday, December 1, at noon.

Polish Ambassador

The Polish Ambassador presented the Commanders Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland to Sir Sigmund Sternberg at the Polish Embassy on November 10. Mr Andrzej Zakrzewski, Minister of State in the Chan-cellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, conveyed a message from President Lech Walesa of Poland. The Right Hon Lord Jakobovits, spoke.

Service luncheon

General Sir Martin Farndale, President of the 2nd Division the Cavalry and Guards Club.

and Miss J. Robbins The engagement is announced between Dominic, son of the late Major M.J.G. Carter and of Mrs I.M. Carter, of Felpham, West Sussex, and Joanna, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Robbins, of Henleaze, Bristol.

Mr M.R. Fearm and Miss M.R. Bray

The engagement is announced between Matthew, second son of Sir Robin and Lady Fearn, of The British Embassy, Madrid, and Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Arthur Bray, of North Molton, Devon. Mr J.D.A. Ivay and Miss C.J. Hamnisett

The engagement is announced between Jon Ivay, son of Mr and Mrs T.H. White, of Blandford Forum, Dorset, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.R. Hunnisett, of Offham, East

Mr N.T. Parry de Winton and Miss S.H. Elwes

The engagement is announced between Thomas, son of the late Mr Nicholas Party de Winton and of Mrs Patricia Parry de Winton of Brancaster Stalithe, Norfolk, and Sophie, daughter of Mr Henry Elwes, of Grimston, Norfolk, and Mrs Wray Eller, of St Cross, Harmenine

Dr David Goode, director

of the London Ecology

Unit, is to be chairman of

the Tree Council, which

promotes tree and wood

planting and conservation

To a Hughes Exhibition in

Jurisprudence: Antonia

To a Coombes Exhibition in

Jurisorudence: Emma Clee.

To a Seymour Scholarship in

Chemistry: Alexandra Long.

To a Nuffield Exhibition in

Biochemistry: Rachel Smith. To a Beilby Scholarship in Chemistry: Claire Naylor.

College prizes for Firsts in Honour Moderations award-

University news

Oxford

Somerville

Elections:

Hardy.

Mr D.P.L. McCahon and Miss H.K. Wybrew

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr S. McCahon, of South Wons Hampshire, and Mrs D. Smith, of Odiham, Hampshire, and Helen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.B. Wybrew, of Langhurst. Hascombe, Surrey.

Mr M. Nelson and Miss S. Hutton-Pennan

The engagement is announced between Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs David Nelson, of Sidmouth. Devon, and Sarah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs lan Hutton-Penman, of Somming Common, Berkshire.

Mr R.R. Wireman and Miss L.E. Younghusband

The engagement is announced between Rupert, younger son of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs Ian Wirgman, of London, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs Cary Younghusband of Kilmeston Hampshire.

Marriage Mr D. Wolfers

and Mrs J.A. Taber The marriage took place quietly it London yesterday between David Wolfers and Jacqueline Taber.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Johann Albert Fabricus, scholar, Leixig, 1668; Louis de Bougainville, navigator and scientist, Paris, 1729; Fyodor Dostoyevsky, novelist, Moscow, 1821; Paul Signac, painter, pio-neer of Pointillism, Paris, 1863; Edouard Vuillard, painter. Ciusceaux, France, 1868; George Patton, American general of World War II. San Gabriel. California, 1885; Iain Macleod. politician, Gloucestershire, 1913. DEATHS: Johann Zoffany theatrical painter, London, 1810; Soren Kierkengaard, philosopher, Copenhagen, 1855; Ned Kelly, outlaw, hanged, Melbourne, 1880: Thomas Trollope, writer, Clifton, Avon, 1892; Valentine Prinsep, artist, London, 1904; Sir Edward German, composer, London, 1936; Sir Alan (A.P.) Herbert, writer and politician. 1971: Alexander Calder, sculptor.

New York, 1976. The Allies and Germany signed an armistice at 11am, 1918. The first two minutes silence commemorating the dead of the Great War was observed, 1919. The Cenotaph in Whitehall, London, was unveiled and an Unknown Warrior was buried in Westminster Abbey, 1920.

Rhodesia proclaimed a declaration of independence, 1965.

Luncheon

The Goring Lunch The Earl of Stockton and Mr George Goring were the hosts at The Goring Lunch, held on Mon-day at The Goring Hotel, London, SW1. Mr Ken Livingstone, MP. Mr Frank Johnson, Mr William Davis, the Hon Timothy Sainsbury, MP, Mr Mike Carlton,

Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will give a reception at Buckingham Palace at 6.30 for the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association on the occasion of their conference and to mark the 40th anniversary of The Queen's

The Duke of Edinburgh, as sensor fellow, will present the Royal Academy of Engineering MacRobert award at Buckingham Palace at noon.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will visit the exhibition at the Imperial War Museum at noon to mark the 50th anniversary of the victory at El Alamein.

The Prince of Wales, as President of the Royal Shakespeare Company, will attend the annual governors' meeting at Stratford-upon-Avon at 12.35; and, will give a reception at Kensington Palace at 5.30 for the Indian Civil Service Association.

Prince Edward, as Chairman of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, will visit Next at Enderby, Leicester, at 12.15; British Shoe, Leicester, at 2.10; SSL Retail (Olympus Sport), Leicester, at 2.40; and Alliance and Leicester Personal Finance, Southgate Street, Leicester, at

The Princess Royal, as President of the Riding for the Disabled Associ-ation, will attend the national conference and annual meeting at Kenilworth at 9.50.

Princess Margaret, as Patron of Youth Clubs of Scotland, will present the "BP Grizzly Challenge" prizes at BP Exploration. St vincent Street, Glasgow, at 2.00; and will attend a reception and dinner at City Hall Chambers, Glasgow, at 7.30 in aid of the Parkinson's Disease Society of the United Kingdom.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester will attend a service of thanksgiving for the restoration of the Church of St Martin-within-Ludgate, Ludgate Hill, at 6.40; and will attend a reception at

Apothecaries' Hall at 7.40. The Duke of Kent, as President of the AA, will present the awards at the National Motoring awards inncheon at the Hyde Park Hotel at 12.30; and as First Grand Principal of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England will attend a convocation of Grand Chapter at Freemasons' Hall at 4.40 to mark the 25th anniversary of his

The Duchess of Kent, as Patron of the Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund, will attend a preview of the CRMF christmas fair at the Royal Horticultural Society, Vincent Square, at 6.30.

The Royal Society of Chemistry

The following were admitted as Fellows of The Royal Society of Chemistry on October 23, 1992. They are entitled to use the

etion 'Chartered Chemist' and the letters CChem FRSC: AIRG THE SCHEETS CALIBRIN FRANCE
V U Ahmad, M A Al-Houtan, D V Baldock,
A J Baster, C L, Brett, C P. Chaptean, E.
Elliot, A M Porsser, M J Fredrickson, C W
B Flyer, D Gand, W Hack, C G Hart, S M
HASARY, D W Hagward, K Henderson, P R
Hornsby, S F Hounsell, I G Hutton, R
Named R R Monthle R W Mulk, P R Miss Anneth: Worsley Taylor, Mr
William Cowpe and Miss
Page, N R Percarda, M R Poddar, G C
Warden, Mr S.W. Morrison; Middle
Georgina Sullivan attended.

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Warden, Mr Nigel C. Strofton: Upper
Warden, Mr Michael Drubit: Remet

Reception

Conservative Middle East Council Mr Cyrll D. Townsend, MP. Chairman, and the Officers of the Conservative Middle East Council were hosts at a reception held yesterday in the Jubilee Room at the House of Commons in honour of the Arab Ambassadors. The Right Hon Douglas Hurd, CBE. MP, who addressed the meeting. was the principal guest.

Concert

Royal Courts of Justice CAB The Lord Chancellor and Lady Markey of Clashfern anended a concert held last night at Middle Temple Hall in aid of the charitable appeal of the Royal Courts of Justice Citizens Advice Bureau The artists were the Lord Chief Justice (piano), Viscount Dilhorne (bass), Mrs Maureen Smith (violin) and Mrs Margaret Gibbs

Dinners

Anglo-Brazilian Society The Brazilian Ambassador, President of the Anglo-Brazilian Society, and Senhora Flecha de Lima, the Earl of Dartmouth, chairman. and the Countess of Dartmouth received the guests at a dinner held iast night at the Hyde Park Hotel.
Baroness Chalker of Wallasey,
Minister for Overseas Dev elopment, was the guest of honour and the Ambassadors of Portugal

and Bolivia were among others . Women's Advertising Club of

London
Miss Sally Cartwright, President of the Women's Advertising Club of London, presided at a dinner held last night at the Savoy Hotel. Miss Jane Reed was the guest of bonour and speaker.

Indian Civil Service Sir Ian Scott, President of the Indian Civil Service (Retired) Association, presided at the annual dinner held last night at the United Oxford and Cambridge University Club.

General Dental Council Dr Brian Mawhinney, Minister for Health, was the principal guest at a dinner given by Sir David Mason, president, and members of the General Dental Council last night at 37 Wimpole Street.

London Goodenough Trust for Overseas Graduates Sir Ashley Ponsonby, a Governor of the London Goodenough Trust for Overseas Graduates, and Mr David Emms, director, received the guests at the annual arts faculty dinner held last night at London House for residents of London House and William Goodenough House.

Appointments

The Princess of Wales to be Patron of Centrepoint, Soho. MrTim Robertson to be Master of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors.

Distillers' Company

The following have been installed officers of the Distillers' Company for the ensuing year:

TEL: 071 481 4000

Hook, Clare Hajaj.

Wee betide those who lie in bed planning evil and wicked deeds, and rise at daybreak to do them, knowing that they have the power to do evil! Micah 2: I

BIRTHS

BOHLING - On October 26th, to Catherine and Hugh, a daughter, Rachel Catherine, a sister for William and Edward. All well.

DICKINSON - On Novembe 5th. to Alexandra (née Righy) and Patrick, a beautiful daughter. Chioe Francesca. DOUWES - On November 1st in London, to Ingebory and Evert, a son, Evert-Anthony, a brother for Alexandra and

Otivia.

GOODWIN - On November

5th. to Frances (née Wollen)
and George. a son, Arthur
Gübert Charles. a brother for
Cecity.

HOARE - On November 3rd
1992. to Tim and Virginia
thee Ritchie), a beautiful
daughter. Kate.

LAWRENCE - On November 9th to Maggie and Paddy a son, Rhum Cleeve Light - James and Elizabeth the Carpenber), a daughter. Jesmin Elizabeth born 9th November. Congratulations from Jeremy and Texti.

MERRICK - On Tuesday November 10th, to Catherine (née Day) and Shaun, a daughter and a son.

MINSHALL - On October 29th, to Rosemary (nee Wise) and John, a beautiful little son, Robert William Arthur. OWEN - On November 4th, to Helen and Nicholas, a son, Richard Charles Drummond, a broker for Phoebe and Rachel. RAYNER - Martin and Dawn welcome the arrival of a daughter Amanda Robin, on November 9th 1992 at

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard THAUMATROPE b. The hangman's rope

c. An optical device UKASE a. An official arbitrary

decree b. A placebo c. UK Aid to SE Asia PAROTITIS a. Repeating like a parrot b. Anti-clockwise rotation

c. Mumps RAPPEL a. Roll-call at Eton b. Abscillag down 2 atain с Метоту Answers on page 19

SPROUL - On Monday
November 9th at 6 am at
West Suffelk Hospital in
Bury St Edmunds, to Tina
Cufe Hannaford) and
Michael, a daughter,
Catricoa Margaret, a sister
for Cameron. Thanks to the
staff and especially Ann
Philoxo. a great midwife and
friend.
WILLIAMS - On November
6th, to David and Kahrina, a
beautiful daughter. Emms.

DEATHS

APRLEY - Daptime (née Riye).
On Tuesday November 10th
in San Pedro de Alcantara.
Malaga. Spain. Mother of
Michael and Robin Culver.
Funeral to be held privately
in San Pedro.

BROOKE - On November 9th, after a short litness, Robert of Sticklepath, Devon, formesty of Chestileid, Kent, Husband of the late Pamels and father of Lesley and Hillary. CLAPHAM - John. D.Mus., F.R.A.M. Peacefully on 9th November, aged 84, Funeral. Bath Crematorium on Tuesday 17th November at 11.20 am. No flowers please. Donations if desired to Dvorak. Society, (0472) 826537.

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COTTON - Leonard Thomas.
M.Ch. F.R.C.S. F.K.C., on
November 9th, peacefully in
the care of the staff at King's
College Hospital. aged 69.
Beloved husband of Joan.
Fälher of Torn. Ruit and Liz.
Grandfather of Ben and
Breit. Funeral Service on
Saturday November 14th at
West Nouvood Crematorium
11 am. Family flowers only.
All enquiries and domations it
destred to Carlog Intensely.
C/o Kellaways Funeral
Service, 104 Lordship Lane.
East Dulwich, SE22 8HF, tel:
(081) 693-2898.

DECIES - Lord Arthur George

(081) 693-2898.

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Norfolk, lef: (0488) 534421.

DENRIES - On Monday
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the nursing borne after many
months of Biness. Mindge
Josephine, dearty beloved
wife of Delwyn, Fungral
Service on Saturday
Novamber 14th 2.30 om at
St. Androws Parish Church,
Backwell, ar. Bristol,
Flowers please to Arthur E.
Davey 4 500s Funeral Directors, 82 Silver Street, Natises
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Sincere thanks to the matres
and staff of Cartstrook'e
Nursing Home, Weybridge,
for all their care and
devotion,

DEATHS

DINSHAW - Equipee Minocher, on November 9th. peacefully at home. Beloved husband of Mehroo and father of Avi and Fram. DOUGLAS - On the afternoon of Sunday November 8th at The Princess Alice Hospice. Esher. peacefully after a long litness bravely borne. Lady Theims Douglas, wife of the Right Honourable Sir William Douglas, wife of the Right Honourable Sir William Douglas K.C.M.G.. High Commissioner for Barbados. Private funeral and cremation Thursday November 12th. No flowers. Donations to The Princess Alice Hospice, Lammas Lane. Esher. A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Lady Theims will be held in Barbados in December. ESOM - On November 9th. peacefully at home after a three year battle with carcer. Janet Evelyn, dearly loved wife of Terry and children Sally and Mark. So much loved by her family and so many friends. Fomeral Service at Holy Trinity

wife of Terry and children Sally and Mark. So much loved by her family and so many friends. Fromeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Rickmansworth Road, Northwood, on Monday Nevember 16th at 1.30 pm, followed by family cremation. Family flowers only donations if desired to Macmillan Nurses Fund. 20 Hillylew Road, Hatch End. Pinner, Midde. Hatch End. Pinner, Midde. Hatch End. Finnel, Midde. Hatch End. Finnel, Midde. Hatch End. Finnel, Midde. Hatch End. Finnel, Midde. Hatch End. Pinner, Midde. Hatch End. National Research Source of the Cordon Highlanders, died peacefully on 7th November 1992. Much loved and his eight grandchildren. The Funeral Service will be held at 11.50am on 13th November 1992 at the Canonastic Church, Edinburgh. Followed by private cremation. Family flowers only to W.T. Dunkar & Sons, 116 Lothian Road. Edinburgh. Donations if desired to the Army Banswolent Fund. Edinburgh Castle. A Memorial Service will be held in London at a date to be arranged. GENEER — On November Sth. suddenly at home. Lignel, aged 76. beloved husband of Gertrude. Eather of Robert and Derek, grandfather of Alexander, Daniel and Toky.

aged 76. beloved husband of Gertrude, father of Robert and Derek, grandfather of Alexander, Daniel and Toby. Will be saily missed by his many family and friends. HARTMELL - Peacerbilly on November 9th 1992. Charles Marcus aged 76. dear husband of Beity and beloved father of \$1. John and Sarah. Funeral Service at The Lord Mayor's Chapel, College Green, Bristol on Friday November 13th at 12.45 pm. Funeral Service at The Moore Cottage Hospital, Bourton-on-the-Waler, Glos. KITWOOD - On November 18th. Colonel Regundal Thomas Saintr Kitwood late of The Duke of Contwell's Light Infantry and former by The Royal Artillery. Husband of Norah and father of Lois. Funeral Service at All Saints Church. Fiset, Hampshire, on Monday November 16th at 2 pm. followed by private cremation. No flowers or letters please. Donations if dealrad, to the Masonite Benevolent Institution or the Children's Society.

DEATHS LAZZOLO - On November 9th. in bospitat, Lella, peacefully after a bravely borne liness. Much loved by family and friends. Funeral Service at Chapet of Santa Marija Addolorata Cemetery, Maita G.C. at 3.15 pm on Wednesday November 11th.

Wednesday November 11th.

MACICEMZIE - On November
9th 1992, peacefully in
hospital, lan Wilfrid
Campbell Mackenzie O.B.E.,
A.F.C. ref'd Wing Comd.,
aged 91 years. Husband of
the late Girlie and dear father
of Jean and Elizabeth.
Funeral Service at
Easthourne Crematorium on
Friday November 13th at
3.30 pm. Family flowers
only but if desired departions
for The Royal Air Force
Association. Northampton &
District Branch, may be sent
to Haine & Son Ltd., 19
South Street, Eastbourne.

SOUID Street, Easthourne.

ROCHE - On November 9th
1992. Frederick Lloyd, at
Million Keynes General
Hospital, after a brave fight
spainst cancer. He will be
missed by memy people
especially Val. Notarita,
Louisa, Nell, Lara and
Maithew. Service for family
and friends All Saints
Church. Bow Brickhill.
Million Keynes, on Monday
November 16th at 11 am.
Service of Remembrance to
be arranged. Family flowers be arranged. Family flowers only. Donations to Wilson Hospice, Milton Keynes, MK16 9AB.

RYAN - On November 9th 1992, suddenly, Albert Richard (Doc) of Aditington. Cheshire. Funeral privale. No flowers please.

No flowers please.

SERVICE - On November 5th, peacerfully at home after a long litness borne with great courtesy. Donald Troomss McKinlay. Somethy Chaptain of Kingham Hill School, Vicar of Mayfield. Derbyshire and Rector of Crook Peak Parish, Somersef, Cherished husband of Gill. beloved futter of Anna and much loved brother of Paunels. See thou faithful unto death and I will give these a crown of life. Rev 2/10. Funeral Service Butteigh Church, Friday November 13th 11.15 am, followed by cremation. Memorial Service to be abnounced hater. Furnity flowers only. Donations if desired to Scripture Union or Levil. ensouther ster. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Scripture Union or Marie Curie Foundation. Enquiries c/o Forsey & Son: Funeral Directors. (0468) 50664.

SHMMONDS - On November 7th 1992, peacefully at home, Anthony John, Loved: missed by all, Funansi Service at Otherton Parisi Church, Devon, on Friday November 13th at 12.30 pm.

DEATHS

SMITH - On November 5th, Ernest Lester, D.S.C. F.R.S., at home. Private funeral November 12th. Memorial Service February 1933. Details to be amnounced. TATHAM - On November 7th 1992. Details to be amnounced.

TATHAMI - On November 7th
1992. peacefully at
Amesbury Abbey Nursing
Home, Rachel, wife of the
late Whirld Tutham. Funeral
Service at Salisbury
Crematorium on Friday
November 13th at 12 noon.

TEMPLE - On November 6th
1992. William Vere Temple
M.C., R.E. (ruto, Beloved
husband of Barbara and
much loved father and
standfather. Funeral Service
on Wednesday November
11th at 2 pm. St Mary's.
Neither Alderley. Cheshire.
No flowers by request.
Donations if desired to The
Royal British Legion. 48 Pall
Mail. London SW17 S17.

THOMAS - On November 7th
1992. peacefully at Mary
Tavy. Gwendolen Agnes
Ellen, loving mother and
grandmother. Funeral at
Whitchurch, Tavistock, on
November 13th at 3 pm.
Flowers, if desired, or
donations to
Research Campaign. 2
Cariton House Terrace,
London.

THOMSPSON - Suddenly on
November 9th at Perforsuct.

London.

THOMPSON - Suddenly on November 9th at Patroswick. Glos. Doctor William Derwant Radcliffe Thompson M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 90 years, the dear husband of Laura. The fumeral service will lake place at \$8 Mary's Church. Painswick. on Friday November 13th at 2.50 pm. Family flowers only please. VALENTRIBE - On November 5th, Margaret Shand Valentine, aged 83 years. Passed away peacefully at Redwalls Residential Horse. Weaverham. Northwich. Chestrife Fumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Alberte Pumeral on Friday

Weaverham. Northwich, Cheshire Fineral on Friday November 13th at 10 am at Altrhichaen Crematorium. Enquiries F. Hayes & Son, net (0509) 74656.

WATBON - On November 5th, Arthur E. aget 82, died pencefully at home enter a short illness. Cremation at Putney Vale. 3.15 pm. Friday November 13th humodists friends. no flowers. Domations for Canter Research to Kenyons. 49 Marioes Road. W8 S.A. WELLS - On November 9th 1992. peacetuity. Father John, helowed brother of Cella (Babs). Funeral Service at Union Church. near Newark. Notts. on Friday November 13th at 2.15 pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired, donations may be made to The Stroke Association, c/o E. Cill & Sons. 85 Albert Street. Newark. Nots. NG24 48Q. WILLIAMS - On November

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3th 1992. Fred Crainer of
Bam. Suffolk (formerly with
British Cas. London). Deer
husband of Olwan, father of
Roy and Eluned and much
loved Taid. Flueral Service
al Ipswich Cramstorton
North Chapel on Monday
November 16th at 12.18 pm.
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desired. dorations made
payable to R.N.L.I. pagy be
sent to Singleton & Hastings
Funeral Service. 21 Berners
Street. Inswich, 191. 3LW. SMITH - On Tuesday
November 10th Constance,
of 4 Actand Court,
Colchester, Essex,
peacefully, aged 67, Portner
Headmistress of Pearings
College, Colwan Bay (19381966) Service at Castle
Methodist Chapel, Colchester
on Monday November 16th
at 2 pm, followed by
cremation at Colchester
Currentorium at 3 pm.

DEATHS

ed to:

Will.SOM - Paul Siephen aged
46 years of Aldeburgh,
Suffolk. Tragically on
November 6th 1992 as the
result of a road actident. Son
of the late Mr and Mrs G
Wilson of Hincidey. Lelceslershire. Requiren Mass to be
held at The Church of
Assumption. Lower Ufford,
Suffolk. on Thursday
November 19th at 12 noon.
Memorial Service to be
arranged. Family flowers
only blease. If desired donations for Ufford Church
Restoration Fund c/o Tomy
Brown. The Funeral Parlour. Secunimenan. Suffolk
IP17 IOJ. Requires at in Pace.
Wilson - On November 8th.

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WHLBON - On November 8th.
Florance Iris. passed peacefully away in hospital.
Sadly missed by samily and friends. Fumeral will take place at 11 am on Friday November 20th at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium.
Crawley. Family flowers only, but all denations if desired to Cancer Research. desired to Cancer Research.

WYLEE - On November 9th.
peacefully in her sleep. Alloe
Dean of Northwood, aged 82
much loved misther of
Virginia, Helen and Robert
and grandmother of Steven.
Victoria. Virginia. Cabby,
Katle and Ottver. She will be
sadly missed by her family
and friends here and also to
America. A Themisgiving
Service will be held at Hoby
Trimity Church, Northwood.
Middir. on Friday November
13th at 3 pm. Private
cremation. Family Rowers
onty, donations to Imperial
Cancer Research Fund. P.O.
Box 123, Lincoln's Inn
Fields, London WC2A 3PX.

MEMORIAL SERVICES BARCLAY - A Memorial Service for the life of Chifford Henry Barclay will be held on Wednesday November 25th at 6.45 pm at the West London Synagogue. Upper Berkeley Street, London W1.

DOVELL - A Encharist
Service in thankspiving for
the life of Nor Bill Dovell will
be held in Lancing College
Chapel at 12 noon on
Salurday 28th November
1992. The address will be
given by Father John inge.

LEGAL NOTICES BELFORTE CAPITAL LINGTED

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Deset 6th November 1992.

M. Fishman, Lloudshor.

Notice of Administration Order FURILIC HOUSE
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Managers. Trade classification:
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ROSERT LOUIS HAMELY
TAKE NOTICE THAT I. Niged
John Hamilton-Gundh of House
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Louis Hamilton-Gundh of the
Secretary of State.
DATED this 6th day
of August 1992.
Niged John Hamilton-Smith.

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NOTICE BI HEREBY GIVEN,
pursuant to Section 105 of the
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the shower planned company will be
held at Prize Walerhouse. The
Quay. 30 Channel Way. Comm.
VERSO, Society House, Society
SOI 1347 at 10,00 am on Tonday 1 December 1992 to be forlowed at 10,30 cm by a general
meeting of the creditors. for the
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GOTTO - A calebration for the life and work of Marvis Gotto will be held at Christ Church. West Wimbledon, SW20, on Saturday 12th December at 4.30 pm and afterwards at King's College School, Wimbledon Common. all infends and colleagues welcome.

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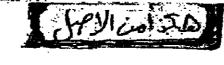
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Rouben Ter-Arutunian stage designer, died at his home in Manhattan on October 17, aged 72. He was born in Tbilisi. Georgia, on July 24, 1920.

FROM George Balanchine's Nutcracker to Glen Tetley's Pierrot Lunaire, a wide range of successful dance productions over the past half century have benefited from Rouben Ter-Arutunian's skill and sensitivity in finding the right design quality for the work. Many leading opera companies in America and Europe also called on his talents; so did Broadway; and among his work for straight theatre was a notable connection with the American Shakespeare Fest-

His belief was that, as the stage picture was the first thing the audience saw when the curtain rose, it must establish the climate for the production and trigger the spectator's imagination. He was scathing about designers who imposed their own personality and the same look on every work. This was not a mistake he fell into himself. He wrote that "stage design should be achieved through the fusion of the instinctive visions of the director and the designer, which are evoked through an objective searching of the author's

The son of Armenian parents, Rouben Ter-Arutunian

George Chandler,

formerly Liverpool city

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ecocral of the National

Library of Australia, died

on October 9 aged 77. He was born on July 2, 1915.

GEORGE Chandler left his

mark on library services in

many parts of the world. He

was the first president of

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ation of Metropolitan City

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was a tireless traveller. In

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of the International Federa-tion of Library Associations.

was only a year old when the family left Toilisi (where his lawyer father had been a financial adviser to the government) for Paris. He started school there but continued his education in Berlin, to which they moved six years later. His first ambition was to be a concert pianist, but he turned to art and stage design under the inspiration of seeing Colo-nel de Basil's Ballet Russe. He entered the Reimann Art School in Berlin at 19, and after two years there continued his studies with courses in art. literature, music, theatre and philosophy at the Friedrich Wilhelm University, Berlin, and the University of Vienna.

His first professional work was done while still a student, starting at the age of 20 with designs for the ballet of the Berlin State Opera. He designed The Bartered Bride at the Dresden Opera (1943) and Salome for the Vienna State Opera (1944).

Ter-Arutunian moved to Paris in 1947, undertaking further studies at the Beaux-Arts and other institutes, then in 1951 to the United States, becoming an American citizen in 1957. In New York he first worked at jewellery design for Harry Winston, but after joining the United Scenic Artists' Union was engaged by CBS-

It was Lincoln Kirstein, founder and director of New York City Ballet, who invited



him to work with the company and also led to his enjoying long relationships with New York City Opera and the American Shakespeare Festival at Stratford, Connecticut.

Among his other commissions was work for San Francisco Opera, the Hamburg State Opera, La Scala, the Opéra Comique in Paris and the

several Broadway shows — he won a Tony Award for Red-head in 1959 - but his only film was The Loved One, for Tony Richardson.

His sets and costumes for the dance, however, are likely to be his chief memorial. The link with New York City Ballet began with a work by Todd Bolender in 1955: Souvenirs, a spoof of old movies. Ter-Arutunian's costumes, nearly evoking the period, took much credit for the baller's success. He first worked with Balanchine in 1958 on The Seven Deadly Sins. They collaborated again on Noah's Flood, a Stravinsky commission for CBS-TV.

Then after NYCB's move from the City Centre 55th Street Theatre to the new, much larger New York State Theatre at Lincoln Centre, Ter-Arutunian was asked to re-design Balanchine's Ballet Imperial, Swan Lake and The Nutcracker, all in the course of 1964. His stylish Nutcracker designs have delighted audiences every Christmas since

Balanchine turned to Ter-Arutunian thereafter for several of his big, popular productions, such as Harlequinade, Coppélia and Union Jack, but also for much more sombre pieces: Requiem Canticles, to Stravinsky's music, staged for a single perfor-mance in memory of Martin Luther King. Balanchine used him again for one of his last masterworks, Davidsbündlertanze. Several of these works are still in the repertoire.

With NYCB Ter-Arutunian also designed for Jerome Robbins and John Taras, and elsewhere for many other choreographers, including Martha Graham and Paul Taylor. Other than Balanchine, however, the choreographer with whom he had a particularly enduring and rewarding collaboration was Glen Terley, from his first creation. Pierros Lunaire, onwards through Ricercare (which they revived for Ballet Rambert). Laborintus (for Nureyev and the Royal Ballet at Covent Garden). Voluntaries (which also entered the Royal Ballet Repertoire after its Stuttgart creation) and many others. The contrast between the magical glitter of Nutcracker and Pierror's simple, gleam-ing tower of scaffolding shows Ter-Arutunian's range: their durability demonstrates his

quality.

Ter-Arutunian wrote revealingly about stage design for a scholarly series of monographs. Dance Perspectives, in 1966. The Dance Collection of the New York Public Library has more than 7,000 of his designs, which it accepted from him in 1989. He leaves no immediate survivors but his talents and his spiky wit made him a popular and much-liked figure.

PETER SAVIGEAR

Peter Savigear, lecturer and then senior lecturer in politics at Leicester University, 1966-1989. died of a brain tumour on October 20 aged 53. He was born in London on July 27, 1939.

PETER Savigear's most abiding research interest was the history and politics of Corsica, on which he was probably Britain's greatest expert. Perhaps because he was an outsider, perhaps because of his personality and linguistic abilities. Savigear came to be accepted by the shadowy figures of Corsican politics. His publications extended

over a much wider area: international relations and, particularly, international theory. Among his last major works were a study of superpower relationships, Cold War or Detente in the 1980s, published in 1987, and German Federalism Today, which he co-edited, published last

Savigear's European interests reflected his family background. Of Huguenot descent on his father's side and German stock on his mother's, he was born in London. He attended King's College School, Wimbledon, and read modern history at Peterhouse. Cambridge. After a brief encounter with advertising he returned to the academic world as a research student at Exeter University before his appointment to Leicester

University in 1966. For the next quarter of a century Leicester was the base for Savigear's forays around the world. His academic interests were catholic — he was as brilliant lecturing on Machia-velli as on American foreign policy — and he was fluent in the major European languages. In the later years his interests turned increasingly to the problems of terrorism, stemming at least partly from

his study of Corsica. He was popular as a lecturer



to military audiences and was invited to become a chief examiner for officer promotions, a post he held for 1981-His academic colleagues had the impression that he relished this for the opportunities it gave him to visit some of the world's trouble spots.

Savigear will be remembered for the exuberance of his personality and his zest for life. Rare was the conversation with him that was not punctuated with laughter. Savigear was a born raconteur, whether the subject was his beloved open-topped Alfa-Romeo or the minutiae of Corsican life. There was, however, a serious side to his personality, as his decade of service as a member of the board of visitors of Gartree Prison, Leicestershire, indicates.

There was surprise among his colleagues and friends when Savigear opted for early retirement in 1989. The purchase of a disused olive mill in his beloved Corsica undoubtedly set the seal on his decision to leave a job which he saw as changing in ways that were not wholly to his liking. He was to have little time to enjoy his purchase. He returned from Corsica in September and within a few days was diagnosed as having an inoperable brain tumour.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

HAROLD CLARKE

Harold Clarke honorary fellow of Trinity College of Music, flautist and teacher, died on October 20. He was born in Cambridge in 1914.

IN ADDITION to playing with most of the national orchestras. Harold Clarke made many appearances as a soloist and was the founder and director of Musica da Camera and the Court Ensemble. After studying music at Trinity College and the Royal College of Music and wartime service with the Royal Artillery he returned to Trinity College as professor of flute, later becoming director of wind music, responsibilities which he also undertook with the Inner London education authority music school in the 1970s.

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East Asia and the Pacific rim. Although his career was that of a public librarian, Chandler's interests were wideranging. Educated in Birmingham, as soon as he entered library service there at the age of 16 he aimed to improve himself by part-time studies. With characteristic energy and determination he gained his first degree, then an MA and a PhD from London University by external

study.

After a spell in Leeds his director general of the National Library of Australia. No career developed with his apdoubt Chandler's service on the British Library board and pointment as borough librarian of Dudley; there he soon acquired the additional titles his track record in achieving of archivist and information

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officer and showed his lifelong interest in local history by editing a history of the town. His career was expanded by his move to Liverpool where he was appointed deputy li-brarian in 1949 and city librarian in 1952, completely transforming the service.

Liverpool's libraries had suffered from the depression of the 1930s and the effects of war when most of the central library was gutted and thousands of volumes destroyed. Services consequently were not comparable with those of other large cities. Chandler set about the task of reform with immense vigour and at times a touch of necessary ruthless-

Backed by a supportive li-braries committee he transformed an antiquated reference library into a series of subject departments staffed by librarians who had subject training and interests. The idea was not new but never before had it been applied

with such energy. Although his degrees were in the humanities, Chandler was aware of the importance of industry to the country's well being and was a pioneer in the development of public library services in this field.

After a long campaign to obtain government approval the Central Library was rebuilt in 1960 with greatly en-hanced accommodation.

Chandler maintained high profile in the life of his adopted city, developing a service of exhibitions on Liverpool and its international links which highlighted the library's resources. He followed this up by research editing and publica-

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member of the organising committee of the British Library and later a member of its board, giving him the oppor-tunity to influence the national library scene. Chandler had for a long

time been interested in library developments overseas. In 1964 he was invited by

the Tunisian government to advise on library services, and paid a number of study visits to Eastern Europe and the United States. After his retirement in 1980

Chandler continued to travel,

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PARIS, Nov. 10 The recognition of the Soviet by the French Government has raised the question of the future of the 400,000 Russian refugees who are at present in France. They consist of men who fought on the French front during the war, soldiers of the armies of Denikin and Wrangel, and a mass of political and other

refugees. The enormous majority of these exiles categorically refuse to return to Russia. When French recognition of the Soviets was seen to be likely, representations were made to the French government, and it is understood that the French Foreign Office has given assurances that the status of the Russians in France will be regarded as governed by the right of asylum, the question being considered as an internal one concerning France, and permitting of no interference by the Soviets. The refugees who did not become naturalised as French citizens but who do not wish to return to Russia will be given a legal status in France, the conditions of which are at present

under consideration. Of the total number of refugees in France, 135,000 live in the Department of the Seine

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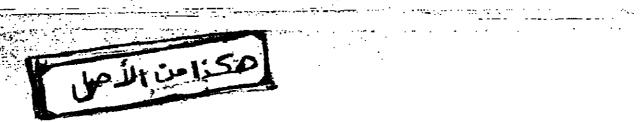
Seven years after the Russian Revolution, some 400,000 Russians were estimated to have taken refuge in France.

(Paris and its suburbs). The other 265,000 are scattered over the country, but are mostly in industrial districts of the Department of the Nord, large numbers being employed in the engineering works and motor-car factories. During this year the number of Russians in France increased owing to the encouragement given by the French Government to the import of foreign labour, and by October it reached the figures of 400,000. In 1923 a Soviet mission came to Paris and arranged for the repatriation of those Russians who were willing to return. The last party left Dunkirk at the end of last year. Since that time

repatriation has ceased, because the remain-

ing refugees did not want to return to their COMMETV. When the Soviet Decree of December 15, 1921, deprived all Russian emigrants and refugees of their nationality and confiscated their property, the question of their status in the countries of their exile became pressing. There are altogether about 1,500,000 refugees in European countries. On the initiative of the French Government, the League of Nations established a system of certificates of identity (the so-called "Nansen passports"). which are at present recognised by 33 Powers.
Russian refugees in France receive at the
prefectures of police carres d'identité, which
are valid for their residence in France, and Nansen passports, which serve as passports

when they travel from one country to another. There are 79 separate organizations of refugees in France. These have joined in electing a Russian emigration committee of nine members, whose chairman is M. Maklakoff, formerly Russian Ambassador in Paris. On October 15 M. Maklakoff submitted to M. Herriot a memorandum urging that the refugees' status should finally be seriled, and suggested that the system of cartes d'identité and Nansen passports should be maintained.



THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

Arms enquiry buys time for Major

■ A JUDICIAL enquiry into British military exports to Iraq was announced by John Major yesterday as MPs alleged that ministers were prepared to see innocent men sent to prison to cover up the government's secret promotion of arms sales.

As Conservative MPs contemplated yet another government crisis, the prime minister tried to defuse the arms-to-Iraq dispute by promising that Lord Justice Scott will have full access to all government papers suggesting that ministers colluded in breaching the 1984 arms embargo.......Page 1

Checkland steps down at the BBC

Sir Michael Checkland has agreed to step down as director general of the BBC two months earlier than planned, clearing the way for John Birt, to take over at ChristmasPage 1

Hurd hits back

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, played down the claim by President Mitterrand that the British delay in ratifying the Maastricht treaty was "unacceotable". He said that a treaty delayed was better than a treaty

Pay as you spray

East Anglia, Britian's driest region, is to have compulsory water metering which could mean charges equivalent to 55p an hour for using garden sprinklers, Anglian Water has announced..... Page 5

Lamont rallies MPs

Norman Lamont joined an unprecedented public relations offensive to win the backing of Conservative MPs for the tough economic package he will unveil tomorrow in his Autumn Statement. The Chancellor saw up to 20 of the most senior backbenchers in his office to sketch the grim background to his raft of deep spending cuts..... Page 2

Synod whipping

Pressure groups using parliamentary-style whipping tactics at the general synod in Westminster tried to sway the handful of waverers who will swing today's decisive debate on women .. Page 3

£21,000 for basics

A family of two children and two adults, one of whom works, requires an income of £21,000 a year to support a basic standard

of living, researchers at York University have found. The income, more than £5,000 a year above average earnings, is for rent, food, clothes, household goods cosmetics and one week's holiday..

Danger signals

There were twin warnings against proposals to break up and sell the national rail network. Rail managers say the plan is excessively bureaucratic and anaylists predict that the proliferation of new bodies will scare off many companies who have expressed interest in the scheme. Page 7

Troops fly in

Britain's military contribution to the humanitarian relief operation in Bosnia-Herzegovina moved to the next key phase with the arrival in Split of the first soldiers from the main party of troops flying in from Germany...Page 12

Border fight

Rockets shells poured down on both sides of the Lebanese-Israeli border in a sudden surge of violence as the area came under another threat of Israeli incursion. Israeli armour was seen crossing the border Page 13

Plotters jailed

Leith Shubeilat, 49, and Yaqoub Qarrash, 40, popular pro-Islamic deputies in the Jordanian parliament, were both sentenced to 20 years' hard labour for plotting with Iran to overthrow King Husain.

Basketball girl banned by the men

Jodi Evans, a Rhodes scholar and member of Canada's Olympic women's basketball squad, has been blocked from playing in Oxford University's men's team, despite being "an onal" player. Ms Evans, 24, and a 5ft 10in point guard, is so good that she was chosen immediately but the universities sports federation has refused...



Listening in: former prime ministers Lord Callaghan and Lady Thatcher with Lord Whitelaw, tuning to Boris Yeltsin. Page 2

BUSINESS

Not Impressed: Business leaders remained unconvinced of the government's economic and industrial strategy after a keenly-awaited speech from Michael Heseltine, the president of the board of trade in which he embraced calls from industry for a new partnership with

Costs rise: The Chancellor's options when he makes his Autumn Statement may have been restricted by renewed concerns over inflation. They emerged yesterday with figures pointed to a sharp rise in manufacturing costs resulting from the fall in the pound Page 21

Markets: Shares closed within striking distance of an all-time high in London, underpinned by expectations of a cut in base rates. The FT-SE 100 index closed 19.2 points higher at 2,714.6, only 23 points below its record set in May. On the foreign exchange the pound eased 1.40 cents to \$1.5160 and .40pf to DM2.4210 . Page 24

SPORT

Yachting: Chay Blyth has called on Peter Phillips, a Devon yachtsman, and a former rival to restore the credibility of the British Steel Challenge round-the-world race for amateur sailors Page 38

Football: The defensive midfield duties demanded of David Platt by his Italian dub, Juventus, will be discarded with relish when he atnots to inspire a high-scoring England win against Turkey in the World Cup match at Wembley next Wednesday. . Page 40

Different cut: Sarah Mower believes that if President Bush had "taken fashion into account, he could have seen his fate rushing towards him like a two-ton truck. On the New York runways, every last remaining shred of the style that had been so successful looked Page 15

Grave design: Bob Borzello is looking for a mausoleum that will reflect his view that "life is jolly, and death is just death"..... Page 15

Basement bargains: Rock bottom

Malcolm Allison; who

has had ten manage-

rial stints with Eng-

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football clubs, has

tol Rovers

prices have made it easier for some to buy in areas previously beyond ... Page 33

Restoration in Athens: The 2,500year-old Parthenon is being restored to some semblance of the building Pericles knew, Of the original 13,700 pieces, 700 large fragments remain: an archaeological

Six Characters in Search of an Author, has been reinterpreted by Franco Zeffirelli, whose version is now playing at the National. "The stage bubbles with energy," writes Benedict Nightingale Page 30

Kingsley in LA: After being "disappointed" by the British films he made after Gandhi, Ben Kingsley left for Hollywood. Now he is ready Page 31

Old bones: That surplus fat can

Zeffirell in London: Pirandello's

contribute to many ailments is conventional medical thinking. But there is now evidence to suggest that a well-upholstered frame provides a cushion against some of the ravages of old age _____. Page 14

Lazy bones: Yet another report has condemned Britain's children as a generation of couch potatoes. What can parents do?..... Page 14

Who noticed? As revolutions go, the change to ITN's nightly news is not so much bloodless as colourless. Trevor McDonald carried out the job with his usual dispassionate professionalism_

Sir Ian McKellern at-

tended the opening of

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Page 5

President Clinton should welcome into his administration people of all parties and of none. As "a new kind of Democrat", he has a unique opportunity to turn his back on the politics of "pork barrel" and jobsfor the boys.

Auschwitz memories BBC2's The Memory of the Of-

fence is a moving account of the effect of Auschwitz on the celebrat-

ed Italian Primo Levi Page 39

Ever since Britain's contribution to

Iraq's military machine became

public, British ministers have

obeyed the first law of politics: do not defend the indefensible. Gov.

erroments generally hope that judicial enquiries will decrease the

pressures on them; this one may

only postpone the reckoning.

All President's men

Arms and Ministers

Art sans frontières

These national heritage treasures will be by definition few. Most art is for the highest hidder. Under the proposed EC regulations against export of works of art, the Renaissance would never have happened

BRYAN APPLEYARD

It is this confrontation - between public queasiness and the realpolitik of the arms trade - that, once the issue of cabinet hes has been dealt with, awaits us at the end of the strange and terrible Matrix Churchill affair Page 16

SIMON JENKINS

I admire France's single-minded nationalism. But there are limits and they were surely crossed by the monumental hypocrisy of the president on Monday

HENRY CHADWICK

There will be no envying the General Synod of the Church of England as its members proceed to vote on the proposal to ordain women. For many on both sides there is a sense of exhaustion with any argument, that the matter is to be decided by the solar plexus Page 16

History, priorities and conscience play a part in readers' opinions on today's vote at the General Synod on women priests...

Giving up free trade in exchange for protectionism is one of the dumbest trades the Bush adminis-

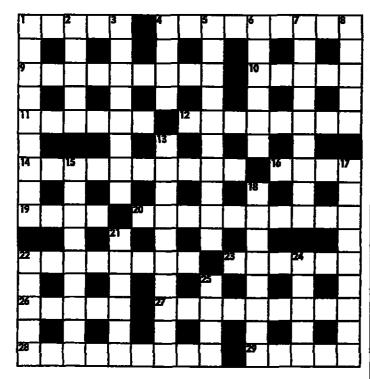
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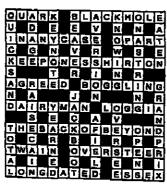
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- I A degree, as the writer put it, is essential (5).
- 4 Effeminate Conservative has a mane on which he could sit (4-5). 9 Not on time when trade is slack
- 10 Use as a face-saver in speech (5).

 11 He organises group travel —
 that's the way to start (6). 12 Start to encourage firm thinking
- about the environment (8). 14 Sprinkle cereal with spice (10). 16 Drink it as a cocktail (4).
- 19 It's acceptable in the old couple 20 Heraldic officer's leading pos-ition in the profession (10).
- 22 A buttoned-up Lord? (8).

Solution to Puzzle No 19,072



- 23 Puffer, or a section of it (6). 26 Vote against a celebration (5). 27 All-out event is in disarray (9). 28 Dealing with management (9). 29 Put out fire (5).
- It's about chaps, not maps, said Bentley (9).
- Note a proviso for raising capital 3 The proper name for a short 1 dn
- Company project (4). 5 She takes people for handwork
- (10). 6 Sleepy place for a Rocker (6). 7 State in which one doesn't feel oneself, as in a gale at sea (9). 8 Memorial to priest captured by a
- Roman (5). 13 Implying blame in this case (10). 15 Fellow in game with expert has a blank look (5-4).
- 17 In short, curt, discontented and cross (9). 18 Made a tin shape into a glitter-
- ing decoration (8). 21 Mounted soldier in retreat in bizarre dothes (3-3). 22 Young animal — it's about as long as your arm (5).
- 24 Struck finally with No I iron. and cut (5). 25 Retainer for an author (4).

Concise Crossword, page 40



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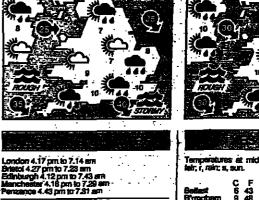
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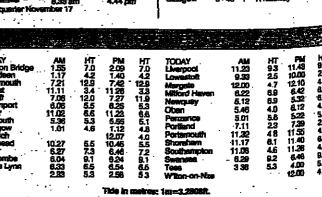
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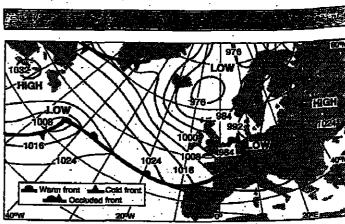
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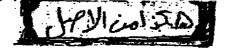








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Anglian Water became the first of the former authorities to reveal preparations for spread metering of

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Tom Peters, international management exper argues that small is Page 25

CASHING IN



De La Rue, the company that prints money, enjoyed a boost o profits from printing £160 million of shares Page 24

BLOWN OUT



General Accident would have made a Page 24

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Falling pound raises fears over inflation

By Colin Narbrough

THE sharp devaluation of the pound since it was forced out of the exchange-rate mechanism on Black Wednesday produced a surge in the price of raw materials and fuel that has revived City concern about inflation. Government figures on in-

put prices yesterday combined with firm signals from the Bank of England to dampen hopes of a two-point cut in base rates to accompany the Chancellor's Autumn Statement tomorrow. Dealers were still looking for a one-point cut this week, with further easing held until year-end.

In early trading, the pound fell to \$1.5080, its lowest for five years. Its trade-weighted index dropped to 77.7, matching the record low of November 2. By the official close it recovered a little to 77.9, down 0.3 on the previous close and

immediate task is to reduce the length and the cost of traid prosecutions through

the introduction of plea bar-gaining and greater disclosure before a trial commences,

according to George Staple,

Mr Staple, who was ap-

pointed six months ago, said

that while the American Secu-

rities and Exchange Commis-

sion may have its virtues, it still

could not prevent a number of

last decade. Consequently, in

the Shimizu Lecture at the

London School of Economics

last night, Mr Staple chose to

concentrate on improving the

system aiready in use.

ctacular frauds during the

the SFO's director.

SFO seeks plea-bargains

to cut prosecution costs

By Angela Mackay

THE Sections Frand Office's process is still a plea of guilty.

cutting interest rates may have been restricted by fears of a resurgence in inflation caused by sterling's devaluation

The Chancellor's room for maneouvre in

equalling the record low for the finish. While ending only stightly softer against the mark, at DM2.4214, sterling was still over a cent and a quarter down at \$1.5160. Producer price data showed

a provisional 2.5 per cent jump in manufacturers' input prices in October, after an upward revised 1 per cent increase in September. The previous four months had all shown falling prices. The annual rate of increase leapt to 2 per cent in October from zero. Almost half the country's raw materials and fuel is

He said that many guilty defendants plead not guilty and simply take their chance

on acquittal. "Is it therefore possible to introduce a system

which will encourage guilty defendants to plead, while at

the same time protecting them

imported, with most goods priced in dollars, against

> mist at Strauss Turnbull, said 3.9 per cent for October.

from improper pressure to do so?", he asked. If there is a plea of guilty, the sentence can be a lesser prison sentence then expected, or even a conditional discharge. Conditions could include hefty fines, full co-operation of the defendant, restitution to victims, contribution to cost of the investigation and regulatory penalties. He also says that the defence should be obliged to The single most effective present more of its case before means of shortening the trial the trial commences.

which sterling has dropped 17.2 per cent since September 16. Weaker sterling is expected to continue to feed through into higher fuel and raw materials prices. Manufacturers appear unable to pass on higher costs by raising factory gate prices, due to weak de-mand, though this could change if the government stimulated the economy.

Output prices edged up by only 0.1 per cent in October, the same rise as in September. This slowed the annual rate to 3.3 per cent from 3.4 per cent, ince showed no change in October, while the annual increase slowed from 2.6 per cent in 2.5 per cent. cent to 2.5 per cent.

Ian Harnett, chief econo-

manufacturers would bear the costs by reducing margins or shedding labour, or pass them on in higher inflation. He predicted retail price inflation next year of 4.5 per cent, from 3.5 per cent this year. The government's new target range for underlying inflation is 1 to 4 per cent. Friday's retail data are expected to show an underlying figure of ☐ The economic policy committee of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and

Development agreed that the industrial world is on course for a gradual economic pickup in the next two years, with inflation falling further. The gold price plunged yesterday after massive selling by American investment funds and Middle East speculators. It tumbled through several support levels to an afternoon fix of \$330.50 an ounce.



Constrained by Autumn Statement: Michael Heseltine speaking to the CBI conference in Harrogate yesterday

Heseltine fails to convince CBI

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

get it. They got some things, but it was small stuff."

leaders agreed with Roland

Long, who condemned the

speech as "long on charisma,

short on substance". He said

Mr Heseltine had "responded

to some of the sentiments, but

Another delegate, Keith Dutton, of Medway Packag-

ing, was disappointed that Mr Heseltine had failed to re-

spond to criticism of the

government's mine closures

announcement, or to show

that the government would

provide support equal to that

offered by overseas govern-

Others were still witholding

ments to companies.

to none of the problems".

Privately, a number of CB!

BUSINESS leaders remained unconvinced of the government's economic and industrial strategy yesterday, after a speech by Michael Heseltine, the trade secretary, in which he embraced calls from industry for a new partnership with

the government.

Throughout the annual conference of the Confederation of British Industry in Harrogate, delegates had been eagerly awaiting Mr Heseltine's speech, hoping he would put flesh on the bones of the framework of policy so far indicated by ministers in the wake of Britain's withdrawal from the European exchange-rate mechanism.

But in a speech which, it is understood, was written on the plane flight to Harrogate, Mr Heseltine was clearly constrained both by the imminence of tomorrow's Autumn Statement from Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, and trix Churchill affair.

From the moment he aplunch with business leaders. In his speech, he said the Autumn Statement would set out details of a clear, stable

economic policy for growth, and his answer to questions about whether the government would work as a partner with British industry was a

Autumn Statement.

One CBI figure said of the

their judgment. John Mortimer, group operations executive at Hanson's ARC subsidiary in construction materials, said that if industry benefited from economic improvement it would feed through to beleaguered construction. Both he and Robert Phillipson, director-general of the British Aggregates Construction Materials, said that otherwise they were withholding judgment until the Chancellor unveiled his plans

tomorrow. John Hackett, director-general of the Federation of Civil Engineers, said: "Though the manufacturers seem relatively encouraged by Mr Heseltine we have to see whether the

measure up to expectations." Sir Michael Angus, the CBi president and Howard Davies, the director-general, were more upbeat about the speech. Sir Michael said it was "full of good stuff", while Mr Davies said it was "what we hoped to hear from him". Mr Davies hoped that tomorrow's Autumn Statement would mean "an end to the open season on government". He said that the Chancellor needed to cover more than the Autumn Statement usually did. The govern-ment had to give a clear statement of economic policy

- and then stick to it.

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Cabra shares suspended the row embroiling him and the government over the Ma-

By MATTHEW BOND

SHARES in Cabra Estates the property company that owns the Chelsea and Pulham football grounds, were suspended yesterday after its two principal bankers unexpectedly demanded immediate repayment of their loans.

The Royal Bank of Scotland and Midland Bank made the demand on Monday, just two days after directors had told shareholders at an extraordinary meeting that negotia-tions to sell the football grounds were continuing. Cabra's chances of repaying

the loans and escaping receivership look remote. Last month, it reported pre-tax loss-es of more than £22 million in the year to end-March and admitted that falling property values had wiped out net assets. The last available net debt figure of £52 million is 20 is believed to be in talks with months out of date. Cabra the Royal Bank of Scotland.



Bates: confident

shares were suspended at 2p "pending clarification of the company's financial position". Ken Bates, Chelsea chairman, was confident the banks' move would not affect his efforts to secure Chelsea's future at Stamford Bridge. Mr Bates

as security on a loan to Cabra and SB Property, the offshoot that owns the football grounds. Nonetheless, the collapse of Cabra could prove expensive for him. In March, Vanbrugh, a Virgin Islands company controlled by Mr Bates, paid an estimated £3 million for 27 per cent of Cabra. It now owns 29.6 per cent.

Last month, Vanbrugh transferred its Cabra stake to Chelsea Village, a UK regischeisea village, a UK regis-tered company 60 per cent-owned by Mayflower Securi-ties, also of the Virgin Islands, and 40 per cent by RHK Nominees of Hong Kong. Gordon Young, Cabra chairman, said he was dis-

mayed by the banks' action: "These demands were totally unexpected, as constructive negotiations had continued up to the egm on Friday and no indication had been received of this precipitative action."

peared at the CBI's conference centre, Mr Heseltine was pursued by reporters with questions about his role in the affair, which he largely tried to shrug off. Immediately his speech was over he raced back to London to deal with the issue, abandoning a private

single word: yes.

Many CBI leaders were clearly disappointed with it, and switched the focus of their attention to the content of the

speech: "It was all right. They were looking for something

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Danish vote dents Warburg profit

BY NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

PROFITS at SG Warburg, the City's leading merchant bank, slumped this summer after the bank lost more than £10 million in the wild gyrations of European money markets.

Warburg yesterday announced a 44 per cent plunge in pre-tax profits to £51.2 million in the half year to the end of September. The figures were far lower than the City was expecting and the shares fell 45p to 479p, wiping £89 million off the company's market value. The bank maintained its interim divi-

dend at 5.25p. Part of the profit fall was caused by heavy losses in the bank's fixed interest division, traditionally a strong profit carner. The division took a gamble during the summer that European interest rates would continue to converge due surprised the City. "This shows that

to the pressures imposed by the exchangerate mechanism. But it was caught by surprise in the aftermath of the Danish referendum on Maastricht and later by Black Wednesday when yields on British and European bonds moved apart sharply. The resulting losses cancelled out the high fees earned from advising Midland on the bid from the Hongkong and

in 1989 and has continually suffered heavy bad debts. Lord Cairns, the group's chief executive, said the bank was watching its leasing businesses in France and

Shanghai Bank and acting as joint lead manager on the Wellcome share issue. Warburg also suffered an £11.6 million loss from the closure of its German office equipment leasing business that it set up

Portugal closely, although big ticket leasing continued to perform well. Until now, Warburg has always prospered in volatile trading and its setback

Warburgs are as vulnerable as the next man when it comes to markets like these," said Alison Deuchars, a bank analyst at Smith New Court. Profits were also hit by the cutbacks in Warburg's smaller com-

panies equity dealing.

Mercury Asset Management, the group's 75 per cent owned investment manager, suffered a £4 million provision as it wrote off the rest of its investment in Isosceles. Peter Stormonth Darling, Mercury's outgoing chairman, said trading at Isosceles had worsened since the firm made its last provision in March.

Despite the provisions. Mercury's profits rose by £1.5 million to £35.5 million. helped by a rate rebate on its City headquarters and a £1 billion rise in assets under management to a record £41 billion. The firm is increasing its interim dividend by 15 per cent to 3p.

CONFEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRY AT HARRISTANCE

Heseltine says partnership is essential for economy

BY PHILIP BASSETT

MICHAEL Heseltine, the trade secretary, yesterday publicly embraced the Confederation of British Industry's call for a new partnership between government and industry.

In a speech that drew at best mixed reactions from delegates at the CBI's annual conference in Harrogate, he issued at the same time a fresh call for pay restraint in the private sector as well as public

Having sat through a number of calls for partnership, during the CBI's debate on the future of manufacturing industry, Mr Heseltine opened his half-hour keynote address to the conference by concentrating on the issue.

He said: "I have been asked whether the government will work as a partner with British industry. The answer comes in a single word: yes.

"Such a partnership is essential if we are to succeed in the world market place and to generate the wealth on which an advanced industrial economy depends."

But he warned against pointless arguments about what such a partnership might mean: "One man's partnership is another man's intervention. One man's demand for a level playing field is another man's call for more civil servants."

Britain, he said, was the only country where such a "sterile debate" hung over the commercial world: "Of course there is a partnership. Or should be. What abdication of national self interest could permit otherwise? But the essence of partnership is that it delivers — delivers for both sides." On pay, he said that unfavourable levels of productivity had led to lower levels of profitability, and then in turn to reduced investment and finally to even lower productivity.

Britain had to reverse such a cycle of decline, and the key to that was a tight control of costs. Previous currency devaluations had been followed by

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rising import costs and high wage demands, leading in turn to high inflation and lack of competitiveness, and it was essential that this did not occur again following the withdrawal from the exchange-rate mechanism.

He told the conference: "Wage settlements continue at a level that cannot be afforded if we are to sustain our position. With inflation below 4 per cent and unemployment approaching 3 million, there is no justification for significant pay rises."

Management, he said, must "take very seriously its responsibilities", while government was very aware of the role it had to play.

He refused to anticipate the Chancellor's Autumn State-

ment tomorrow, but did say that Norman Lamont would set out policies for encouraging growth: "We need clear, stable policies and not the quick fix or the short-term measure that brings long-term

In a wide-ranging speech, Mr Heseltine touched on a number of areas of government concern. On the current stalemate in the Gatt round, he said the government was doing all it could to bring the sides together. "I do not need to tell this audience of the consequences of a trade war. There would be no winners. The cost would be incalculable."

He said that concluding the Gatt round would, according to Organisation for Economic

WHAT THEY SAID

It's the Automa Statement on Thursday, and we would love you to talk about it. But we understand that if you do, the Chancellor will kill you."

ngus, CBI president, welcoming Michael Heseltine

"I'm sick to death of French farmers. I'm sick to death of the European common agricultural policy. If EC leaders want to move the Community forward, then the first thing they have to do is give agriculture the importance it deserves. And that is considerably less than it enjoys at present."

Norman Sussman, of the British Clothing Industry Association, on the stalemate in the Gatt talks

"I regard him as our knight in shining armour. I think it's slightly neater than a loincloth and swinging through the innote."

Simon Ecclestone, of Conveyors Ltd. about Michael "Tarzan" Heseltine

"The cost of money wasn't a problem until we borrowed."

[On interest rates]
"There's no deriving that a blockbuster would be useful."

"There's no denying that a blockbuster would be useful."
[On thinking up new products]
Two managers quoted in a DTI/CBI survey on innovation

"It is a piece of cake simply to call for clarity in government policy. I, sir, know it is easy, because I do it myself from time time, and in periods like this, one even costs around which is "

Howard Davies, CBI director-general

lat out

to Dubai

(or Hong Kong, Singapore,

Manila, Bangkok...)

Co-operation and Development estimates, add £200 billion to annual world output. There was no other single measure any government could take which could even begin to approach this.

Mr Heseltine stressed the

importance of competitiveness to the government's industrial policy, sketching in trade and industry department initiatives aimed at improving competitiveness. These include a study of measures applied in other countries and asking companies about the state of the economy as it concerns them.

He announced that Lord Sainsbury had agreed to act for a year as his part-time adviser on deregulation, operating through a specific unit in Whitehall with its own chief executive. He also spoke on education, training, environmental issues, export credits, innovation and the single market.

☐ A CBI-backed initiative to recruit the country's brightest graduates into industry is being launched today.

Industrial leaders are anxious that they will not be hit by the skill shortages which beset them at the end of the last recession at the beginning of the last decade.

The vehicle for the recruiting drive is a travelling exhibition called Enterprise 92. About 40 industrial companies have tearned up to put it on the road, among them British Airways, Shell, Kodak, BT and Ford.

Two major exhibitions will be in Birmingham and Manchester later this month, targeting more than 100,000 students from 26 universities and polytechnics.

Students will be introduced to the wide variety of present day industry from fibre-optic communications to the research and development work surrounding aerospace technology.

Top students will be pointed to career opportunities around Europe. More than 500 vocation job opportunities will also be on offer.



Confident voice: Howard Davies said this autumn had been a watershed

Cadbury faces demands for tighter legislation control

such that should be subject to

the listing agreement but a

statement of compliance. He

said: "Compliance should in-

deed be a matter for share-

holders as the CBI proposes. It

can only be so if the sharehold-

ers know precisely where their

boards stand in relation to the

code. So the statement of

had also proposed that com-

pliance should be reviewed by

auditors, said Sir Adrian. Lat-

er. Mr Taylor said the CBI

questioned that because audi-

tors had no means of assessing

management and steward

ship issues, which together with board structures were the

primary concerns of the code. Mr Taylor said: "CBI mem-

bers can identify with the code

as a statement of best practice.

This was why the committee

compliance is crucial."

By DEREK HARRIS

CONTINUING differences between the CBI and the Cadbury Committee were underlined during the debate on corporate governance.

However Sir Adrian Cadbury, who headed the committee that produced a draft report on the financial aspects of running companies, and Hanson's Martin Taylor, who is chairman of the CBI companies committee, showed signs of smoothing the emergence of the final report,

due next month.

That would launch a code of best practice, initially for listed companies. It would tackle the sort of concerns that have grown in the wake of such affairs as BCCI and Maxwell, as well as controversy over

directors' pay.

Sir Adrian faced growing demands for legislation to toughen regulation of companies. Clive Thompson, chief executive of Rentokil and a member of the CBI's South East regional council, told the conference that self-regulation would not work. "If we really want effective change to protect shareholders legislation seems the only way."

Michael Harding, of Ernst

Michael Harding, of Ernst & Young, the accountant, intervened to ask: "Can self-regulation ever be strong enough? We have our doubts, especially about self-regulation as we have it today."

Sir Adrian admitted that

there was a wind of change "blowing much more briskly in the direction of regulation than when we brought out the draft report in May." But he saw no reason to move in a legal direction. He said: "Fundamentally, the test is disclosure. We can leave everything to the good sense of boards and shareholders provided everything is out in the open."

Mr Taylor denied that the CBI was opposed to the key

CBI was opposed to the key recommendations. It welcomed Sir Adrian's self-regulatory approach and, like his committee, did not favour major intrusion of the law into corporate governance.

However, there is still a

clash over the Cadbury proposal that compliance with the code should be part of the Stock Exchange's listing agreement. Mr Taylor reiterated CBI opposition, maintaining it would make the code less capable of change and interpretation while also creating more bureaucracy.

Sir Adrian made it clear that it would not be compliance as

But many companies could still find some of their practices outside a number of the code's provisions and yet be financially sound, successful, reputable and respected."

Sir Adrian said he did not

accept the policing argument. "All directors have an equal supervisory responsibility under the law; it is not a function reserved for non-executive directors." He added: "Whatever responsibilities boards assign to non-executive directors, and whatever our recommendations in this regard, the final power of decision rests

with the board as a whole."

Alluding to worries that twotier boards might be created,
he said: "The board's collective
authority is not undermined
by our recommendations and
so the unitary board principle
remains intact. We will ensure
that our final report makes
clear our support for the
unitary board structure."

Davies says fall of pound offers a chance

BY ROSS TIEMAN

HOWARD Davies, directorgeneral of the Confederation of British Industry, called on business to put its house in order and to seize the opportunities offered by sterling's devaluation.

Pressing for a "partnership" with government, he said that if ministers responded to business pleadings on policy, business would have to deliver growth and prosperity. "There is now an opportunity, which we must collectively

seize," he said.

His appeal, made to 1,000 delegates at the CBI's annual conference in Harrogate, reflected growing confidence among business leaders that their views are at last being taken into account. It also reflected the CBI's bineprint for industrial policy, Making it in Britain, which indicates that much responsibility for rebuilding industry lies in managers' hands.

managers mands.

Britain now enjoyed the advantages of a favourable exchange rate, low inflation and the lowest interest rates in Europe, Mr Davies said.

"We must now convert these advantages into real output. That means addressing ... weaknesses in investment, skills, taxation regulation and, dare I say it, management."

Mr Davies rejected charges that industry was prone to blame the government for its

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failings. "Most CBI members are well aware that the overall economic picture is the summation of the individual efforts of millions of economic actors." But he reminded business leaders that if public sector pay were pegged, as the CBI wished, their pay rises, too, would come under public scrutiny.

scrutiny.

The former treasury advisor, who joined the CBI four months ago, castigated the government for its policy failings. "This autumn has been a watershed," he said. "The best indicator we have of the scale of the changes... is the ... volume of protestations by the Treasury that policy has remained essentially the same."

Alluding to promises by Michael Heseltine, the trade secretary, to intervene more on behalf of business, Mr Davies said there was "more of a need for industrial intervention in government". He set out four principles which should underpin a "strategy for growth".

Free trade was critical. If the European Commission could not deliver a Gatt agreement on world trade, "they should step aside for people who can". Prosperity depended, too, on a strong home market. Domestic inflation must be kept low, and financial conditions stable. And tax and spending policies must be designed to promote enterprise and growth.

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Power chief highlights franchise market

Scope to sell 'extra 20m tonnes of coal'

By PATRICIA TEHAN

JOHN Baker, chief executive of Britain's biggest electricity generator, National Power, told MPs yesterday there was a market for another 20 miltion tonnes of coal if other fuels, particularly gas, were squeezed out of the franchise electricity market.

The franchise market, mostly domestic and small business customers, accounts for 70 per cent of electricity sales in

England and Wales.
Alternatively, he said, the taxpayer could subsidise the sale of British coal at world prices, which would also create a larger market for coal by allwing British Coal to compete with imports and make coalfired power more competitive.
Mr Baker was giving evidence to the back-bench trade and industry select committee, which is examining the gov-ernment's pit closure plan.

Much of the blame for the planned closures has fallen on long-term contracts for gas-fired power from independent

National Power is willing and able to use larger amounts of British-produced coal but expects electricity consumers or taxpayers to shoulder the extra cost

generators, signed by 1 I of the 12 regional electricity groups. Mr Baker said the five year contracts under negotiation between British Coal and National Power and PowerGen could be supplemented by 20

million tonnes a year. The volumes under negotiation are for 40 million tonnes of coal next year, falling to 30 million tonnes the following four years. Mr Baker believes that market could be increased to a maximum of 70 million tonnes in the first year and 50 million tonnes thereafter.

In his written evidence to the committee, Mr Baker stated: "National Power is both willing and able to use larger amounts of British-produced coal, though somewhat less than in the current year, provided that a market can be found for the electricity to be generated from the coal." Finding a way to enlarge the market is, he said, a matter for the government.

But he stressed that either the electricity consumer or the taxpayer would have to shoul-He said the easiest way of

enlarging the market would be to continue the present arrangement where the fran-chise market bears the higher cost of burning coal from Brit-ish Coal. This would mean clearing the franchise sector of other sources of electricity, par-ticularly gas-fired power from independent generators, and forcing them to compete for sales to industrial customers in



NATIONAL Express, the long distance coach group, forecasts it will make £6.5 million before tax in 1992 in its draft prospectus released yesterday. This is an improvement on the £1.2 million pre-tax loss suffered in 1991, during which time Ray McEnhill (above) and Adam Mills acquired the group in a management buyin. Their syndicate paid £10 million, but National Express is expected to be floated

off for between £60 million and £80 million. Some of the money will be used to revitalise the balance sheet, which shows a net deficit of £11 million. The group is going public via a placing with 25 per cent of the shares subject to clawback to meet any demand from an offer for sale. Mr McEnhill and Mr Mills own 20 per cent of the company. Terms of the offer are expected to be

VSEL profits rise but 1,900 jobs will still be cut

By Our Industrial Correspondent

VSEL Consortium, the nuc- er than expected, thanks to the lear submarine builder, is urging the government to bring forward inititatives designed to help create new jobs for the thousands of workers hit by the cutbacks in the warship building industry. Noel Davies, chief executive,

said yesterday that VSEL will be forced to cut staff by 1.900 to about 7,000, at the lower end of its forecasts made when the rationalisation programme was announced last year. Three years ago VSEL employed 16,600 staff. Lord Chalfont, chairman,

called on the government to assist the regeneration of areas

affected by the cuthacks. VSEL yesterday revealed that pre-tax profits for the half year to end-September increased by 16 per cent to £25.9 million on turnover down from £256 million to £234 million. The interim is increased from 8p to 9p, and shareholders are being offered a scrip dividend alternative.

VSEL is sitting on net cash of £160 million. Cash inflow during the half-year was high-

phasing of payments on big million, leaving a balance of cash and cash equivalent of

£259.2 million. Mr Davies said the company is looking for acquisitions. VSEL is almost entirely dependent on defence business, but hopes that 25 per cent of its turnover will come from commercial products by

He said this will be achieved by acquisitions rather than shipyard. The company would have made more progress in developing Barrow, he said, "if it had not been for the

VSEL's diversification has been limited to offshore oil and gas contracting, based at Barrow. Last week the com-pany won a £2.5 million order for pre-assembled units for British Gas' Morecambe Bay

Mr Davies said VSEL is still in talks about the sale of the whole or parts of its Cammell Laird shipyard in Birkenhead.

Lloyd's dynasty sells out to US broking group

THE Frizzell family, one of the best known Lloyd's insurance dynasties, is selling out to Marsh & McLennan, the US insurance broking group, for £107 million. The 20 family shareholders in Frizzell Group will receive about £40 million as a result of the deal. The rest of the company is owned by 31, management and staff. The 31 shareholding represented the investment group's single biggest unquoted equity holding. The investment dated back to 1954 when 31 put £40,000 in the company. It will realise about £40

The core financial services division, the part of the company bring sold, generates about 90 per cent of Frizzell's £9 million annual profits. The division specialises in insurance for groups such as trade unions.

TNT shares fall 30%

SHARES of TNT, the international transport group, fell nearly 30% after the company reported a first-quarter loss of A\$65.12 million (£30 million) at its annual meeting. The noisy and sometimes hostile meeting was also told that a dividend was unlikely to be path until after the 1993.43 financial year and that Sir Peter Abeles, the co-founder, was relinquishing his last executive position. The run on TNT hand to drug the Augustian angles to 30 ments level. helped to drag the Australian market to a 20-month low, with TNT closing down 22 cents at a record low of 53 cents, against a pre-1987 crash high of A\$5.88. This year's loss comes after two financial years of losses.

UB buys snacks group

UNITED Biscuits has paid £195.5 million, including assumption of debt, for the snacks business of Coca-Cola Amatil, the Australian snacks market leader. CCA Snacks sells several brands in Europe and the Far East including Smiths, Samboy and Lites crisps and Nobby's and Planter's nuts and has operations in Europe, mainly in Italy. UB is part-funding the deal with a placing of 24.1 million new shares at 332p, or just less than 5 per cent of the existing share capital, to raise £80 million, the balance of the price lifting total borrowings by 50 per cent. CCA made 1991 trading profits of £16.4 million on £182.3 million turnover.

Norcros pegs payout

NORCROS, the building materials and specialist print and packaging group, has pegged its interim dividend at 3.5p on pre-tax profits of £5.6 million (£6.3 million) in the six months to end-September. Turnover declined to £191.2 million (£196.3 million). Earnings per share were 2.5p (3p). Redundancies brought exceptional costs of £2.7 million. partly offset by lower interest charges of £3.5 million (£4.3 million). Property disposals amounted to £10.7 million and borrowings have been reduced by £8.2 million to £119.9 million. Operating profits before exceptional costs rose 11 per cent to £11.7 million. The shares rose 2p to 113p.

Marshalls pays same

MARSHALLS, the building materials group, reported pre-tax profits of £6.4 million (£7.1 million) in the six months to end-September. Turnover slipped to £93.2 million £97.9 million). Fully diluted earnings per share fell to 2.63p (3.23p) and there is an unchanged 1.25p interim. The group raised £20.1 million through a rights issue in June that, combined with stricter control of costs, helped reduce interest charges from £2.8 million to £1.7 million. Acquisitions are planned. Bad debts, including credit insurance premiums, rose from £400,000 to £450,000, and more than £650,000 was paid out for redundancies.

Casket advances

INCREASED sales of mountain bikes and lower interest charges helped Casket, the bicycles and clothing group, boost pre-tax profits 79 per cent to £1.9 million in the six months to end-September. Turnover rose to £50.1 million (£35.4 million). Earnings per share were 1.7p.(0.9p) and there is an interim dividend of 0.3p (0.15p). Profits were reduced at the clothing businesses, affected by severe price and volume pressures. In September, the group acquired Yates (Leicestrella), a supplier of own-label childrenswear to high street chains, for a maximum of £470,028.

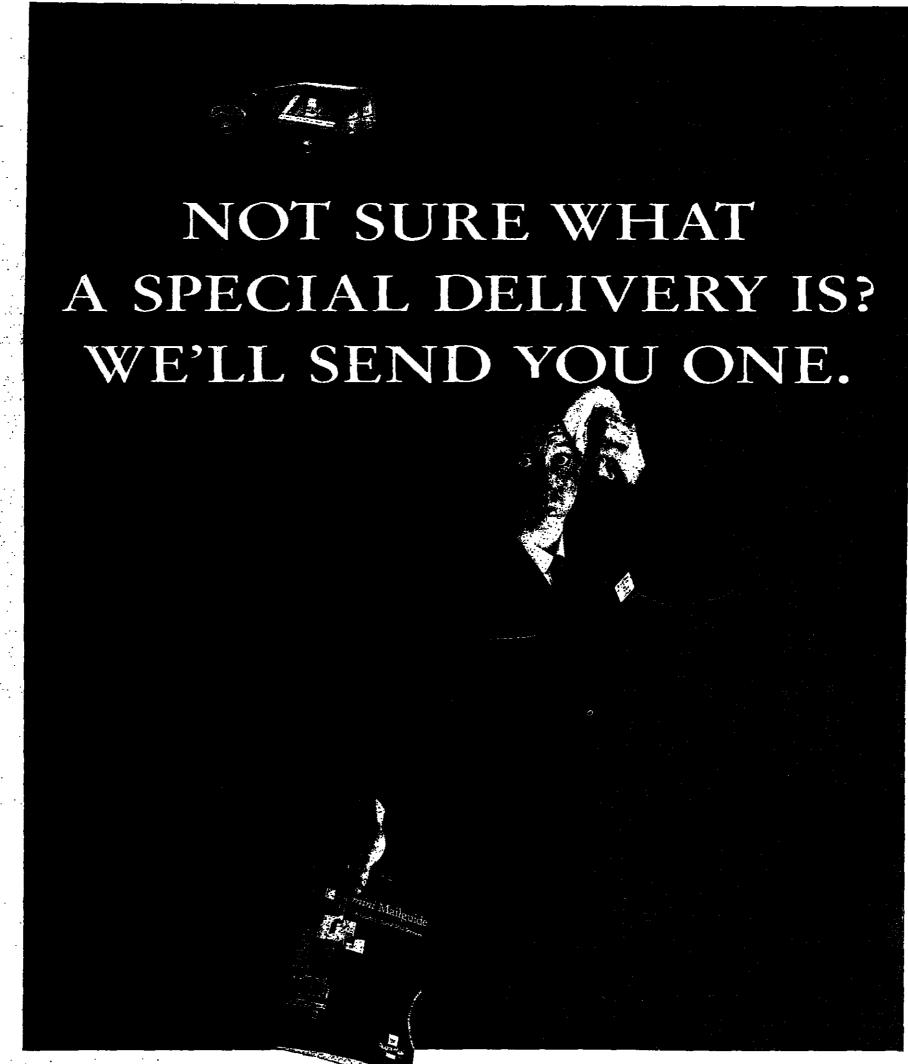
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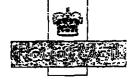
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Anglian steers steady course

FOR a company as notori ously risk-averse as Anglian Water, the announcement by Alan Smith, the managing director, of preparations for widespread water-metering

was unusual. That said, Anglian is still stressing a sensible concen-tration on the core business and little interest in expensive diversification. As Mr Smith says, the sort of expense that would buy a business earning worthwhile profits within the context of Anglian as a whole would be hard to justify for a company with a running capital spending programme of £4 billion.

Anglian shares have underperformed since August, hit by technical factors over the dividend and the sale of the Lyonnaise des Eaux Dumez stake last month. The sale, by clarifying the relationship between the two companies, might end up being a benefit; they are negotiating on three significant overseas projects and are still in the running for the Buenos Aires water management contract.

With a growing popula-tion, Anglian has long-term trends in its favour, despite an above-average clean-up bill on pesticides, for example. Omens from the half-year figures suggest the reg-ional economy may be on the up again, with total metered household income up £3.1 million as once-empty new housing stock is filled.

A 7.9 per cent increase in the interim dividend to 6.8p



Testing the water-meter: Alan Smith, Anglian chief

terms — follows a like rise at Thames last week. Hoare Govett's Stephen Doe expects 20.9p for the full year. putting the shares on a yield of 5.9 per cent. They should make further progress.

General Accident

NINE-MONTH figures from General Accident show that the long task of turning

But weather-related insurance claims cannot simply be stuffed below the line as extraordinary items. They are the essence of the business. The sector has enjoyed a fair wind during its recovery phase, allowing the muchneeded rate increases to flow unhindered to the bottom line. It may not always be so. GA may just return to

made a nine-month profit.

profit for the full year and, weather permitting could notch up a £100 million surplus in 1993. That would still leave a maintained 26.75p dividend far from being covered by earnings. That will have to wait until 1994 at the earliest. The dividend still looks secure, and the resulting 6.4 per cent yield provides an anchor for the shares in still uncertain times. However, they do not come cheap. At 552p they are at a substantial premium to vear-end net asset forecasts of between 400p and 450p and are well up with events.

De La Rue

BY COMPLYING with the new Financial Reporting Standard 3 and including a balance sheet. De La Rue's results for the six months to end-September are the model of audited correctness. But there is more to the bank-note and payment systems group than doing the right thing. There is a bank-vault-like

balance sheet for a start. Last

dispenser group, may have cost more than £90 million, and the mopping-up of extra shares in Garny, the German subsidiary, a few millions more, but that still left more than £50 million of the £160 million rights issue accompanying the acquisition unspent. With the group's businesses generating funds, net cash stands at £110 million. That cash contributed £5.6

million to pre-tax profits of £46 million, a slightly flatter-ing 48 per cent up on last time. The rewards of holding cash, particularly sterling, are likely to fall significantly in the second half, so the company must feel under some pressure to find the right acquisition.

A year-end change Garny and the move to FRS 3 contributed another £3.5 million to profits, which also may not be seen again. But even the draconian step of stripping out all these poten-tial one-offs only has the effect of reducing profit growth to 20 per cent — still impressive. Shareholders are rewarded with a 10 per cent increase in the interim dividend to 3.85p (3.5p).

At the full year, shareholders might expect rather more in the way of assurances that Inter Innovations - however integrated it may be — is pay-ing its way. Despite the pro-gress and likely profits ap-proaching £100 million this year, the shares, at 648p, on a prospective price-earnings ratio of 18, look expensive.

STOCK MARKET

Institutional buyer snaps up 2% of Asda's shares

turnover of shares in Asda, the supermarket chain, as one institutional investor snapped up almost 2 per cent of the company. The price firmed 2p to 472p as more than 46 million shares changed hands, including one transac-tion of 6.16 million shares at 46½ p. Cazenove, the stockbro-ker, is known to have bought a total of 20 million shares on behalf of an institutional

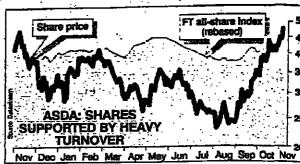
over in Tarmac as a line of 3 million shares was crossed by Cazenove at 93 2 p. The shares finished 2p firmer at 94p, with a total of almost 10

million changing hands.

The rest of the equity market rose back above 2,700 in thin trading; the bulk of trading was carried out between various market-makers. The FT-SE 100 index closed near its best of the day, with a rise of 19.2 to 2,714.6.

Early attention was focused on the water companies after Ofwat, the regulatory authority, published its latest review. Anglian rose 12p to 479p, Northumbrian 10p to 543p, North West 15p to 497p, Severn Trent 11p to 465p, South West 15p to 510p and Wessex 18p to 596p.

United Biscuits fell 9p to 337p after announcing plans to buy the snack food arm of Coca-Cola Amatil, in Australia, for £198 million. To help finance the deal, UB has arranged a placing of 24



developer that owns Stamford Bridge and Craven Cottage football grounds, in London, were suspended at 2p pending clarification of the company's financial position.

Ranks Hovis McDougali slipped a further 2p to 257p as turnover dropped below the

London International firmed ip to 225p. Credit Lyonnais Laing the stockbroker, said the current valuation did not reflect underlying growth prospects. The company, with interests ranging from condoms to consumer brands and latex surgical gloves, of-fered long-term value.

recent high levels. Temkins which has made an agreed bid of £935 million, now speaks for 22 per cent of RHM; it finished 12p lower at 212p. Blue Circle Industries continued to attract speculative support and the price rose op

to 176p. There has been talk

that Hanson, unchanged at

small interim profits rise. General Accident jumped 14p to 550p, despite reporting a pre-tax loss for the first nine months of £36.7 million, down from £133.1 million. Hambros Bank, reporting later today, eased 4p to 244p.

A better than expected rise in interim pre-tax profits lifted VSEL 19p to 488p, while De La Rue, the security printer, eased 5p to 648p, despite reporting half-year profits up from £31.1 million to £46

227p, will turn its attention to

T&N. the automotive parts

group, firmed 7p to 142p after

paying £104 million for

Goetze, a privately owned

SG Warburg, the financial

services group, tumbled 45p to 479p after reporting a drop in half-year pre-tax profits from £91.5 million to £51.2 million

But Mercury Asset Management, its publicly quoted fund

management arm, rose 17p to

313p after announcing a

German piston ring maker.

Blue Circle.

MICHAEL CLARK



around the general insurance

sector continues. Pre-tax

losses are down by £96 million to £37 million so far

and the third-quarter loss of

£16.4 million compares with

£28 million last year. This

looks disappointing after the second-quarter profit, but the

difference is explained by

The sector remains cruelly

exposed to meteorological

mishaps. GA says that but for

its £38 million Hurricane

seasonal factors.

General Accident

UNDERLYING RECOVERY CONTINUES IN THIRD QUARTER

9 Months 9 Months to 30.9.92 to 30.9.91 **Estimated** Estimated General Premiums 2,629.0 2,435.0 Life Premiums 555.4 396.0 **Net Investment Income** 301.5 276.0 Underwriting Loss (348.5) (419.9)Loss before Taxation (36.7)(133.1)Loss attributable to Shareholders (34.1)(120.2)Earnings per share (27.7p) (7.8p)

- Pre-tax loss of £36.7m at the nine months includes losses on Hurricane 'Andrew' of £38m net.
- Underlying recovery continues in the third quarter, particularly in the UK which shows further marked improvement.
- US result distorted by losses on Hurricane 'Andrew'
- Excellent results in Canada and the Pacific.
- Life operations continue to make good progress.
- Net investment income increases by 5.3%.

Nelson Robertson, Chief Executive, commented: "The pace of our underlying recovery is accelerating as strong management action proves increasingly effective."

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New York — Blue chips lost early gains and turned lower in late-morning to the large capitalisation technology stocks weakened, traders said. The broad and secondary markets held firm, howevalue supported by a raily in the large stock weakened, traders said. The broad and secondary markets held firm, howevalue supported by a raily in the large stock was a supported by a raily in the large stock was a supported after the large stock was a supported by a raily in the large stock was a supp the US producer price index for October showed mild inflation, rising only 0.3 per cent. Excluding food and energy. the index fell 0.1 per cent. The Dow Jones industrial average was off 2.71 points at 3,238.16. In the broad mar-

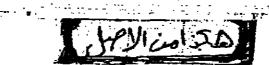
Tokyo — The Nikkei index rose 20.06 points to (Reuter)

ket, gainers held a slim lead

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CE Heath	299p (+10p)
Liberty Life	708p (+18p)
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VSEL	488p (+19p)
FALLS:	-
Alexon	
Betterware	163p (-9p).
JW Spear	360p (-10p)
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Byatt enters murky waters

an Byatt's latest attempt to explain his regulatory thinking before the periodic review of water price limits has an impenetrably gnomic quality, but should not be criticised for that. In consulting as widely and openly as possible in advance, in order that the regulated companies and the markets should know his thinking, the director-general of water services is setting an example his colleagues in the regulation business could usefully follow. This regulation business could usefully follow. This morning, he will go one further by hosting a meeting with City analysis at his Birmingham fastness to

The paper Ofwat issued yesterday, Assessing Capital Values at the Periodic Review, is vital to the price-setting. To assess the cost of capital, in effect the return on capital, he has to define the capital. This is not a simple process, not least because the ten water and sewage companies were privatised for £5.3 billion, although they had assets with a replacement value well above £100 billion. The opaqueness of the document appears to owe something to the horror expressed by those who read an early Ofwat draft. Mr Byatt's supposition that the cost of capital can fall heavily, from that assumed at privatisation, rested on buoyant market values of water shares. The trouble with that approach is that the share prices fluctuate sharply on perceived regulatory risk. They also respond, as yesterday's rises showed, to expectations of short-term interest rate movements.

Using market values, plus borrowing to assess capital brings a similar dilemma. If share prices determine the capital, then price limits would logically have to be set to leave those valuations unchanged, which could please the stock market but place the regulator in a straitjacket of his own making. He now seems to be thinking of adjusting initial market values of £6.1 billion for subsequent and future capital spending. In the end, he may have to opt for the original formulation, which rested on allowing earnings cover for reasonable rises in real dividends and for loan interest, though the real dividend rises and the interest cover would surely be much smaller than at privatisation.

Waterlogged

7 arburg has walked on water for so long that the City was shocked when it admitted it had got its feet wet. A £56 million half-year profit from a merchant bank is good in current market conditions, but the 44 per cent fall displayed human failings too graphically for the stock market's liking. The bank was certainly not alone in being wrong-footed by the Danish referendum or Black Wednesday, as senior cabinet ministers would agree. The resulting loss of up to £15 million shows once again the risks banks take daily in financial markets.

In some cases, institutions do not appreciate the extent of the risk they are running until it is too late. Some day soon a bank may suffer a market loss that will make the events at Warburg and others seem like threatening tremors that were ignored.

The unconnected £11.6 million loss at Warburg's German leasing subsidiary is typical of another failing that occurs regularly among banks. Time and again they admit to losses in businesses which the investing public did not even know they owned. The perils of expansion in any financial market are numerous and the penalties heavy. Warburg is still Britain's most successful merchant bank and should recover rapidly from this stumble. Lord Cairns, the decultive, situ ille lest of the mana should, however, be chastened by these reminders that not even the best bank is completely watertight.

ABB's prophet of smallness points the way to profit in the nineties

The company employs 215,000, has 5,000

profit centres and three layers of management.

It should be seen as a model, says Tom Peters

he consumer is king. Big companies, used to having their own way, must learn to respond quickly and effi-ciently to consumer demands. This means loosening the reins of central control to allow more room for individual initiative. Only a fickle, decentralised operation will survive in a fickle, decentralised global economy. Decentralisation means the demise of central staff.

In fact, it is arrogant to suggest that you can "manage" at all from the centre in a fickle economy. The best you can do as the head of a large organisation is to unleash the power of subordinate units to develop distinct personalities of their own and to play the lead role in responding to a fickle market place.

A prime example of what this means in practice is Zurich-based Asea Brown Boveri, a heavyweight in the electrical power and equipment industry, led by Percy Barnevik.

When Barnevik took over as managing director of Sweden's Asea in 1980, he found a central staff of 2,000, gasped, and reduced it to 200. He told surplus executives that they had three months to find jobs in the company's line operating units.

You can't postpone tough deci-

sions by studying them to death," Barnevik argues. "You can't permit a honeymoon of small changes over a year or two. A long series of small changes just prolongs the pain ... You have to accept a fair share of mistakes but I'd rather be roughly right and fast than exactly right and

He stuck to those principles through a succession of takeovers. When ABB acquired Finland's premier company Stromberg, a head-quarters of 880 greeted him. A couple of years later that number was 25. At the German ABB headquarters in Mannheim, Barnevik found a staff of 1.500 in 1988. Now there are

Barnevik has the business of reducing central staff down to a science. He insists the head count in any headquarters activity can be cut by 90 per cent the first year. About 30 per cent disappear through attrition and other layoffs; another 30 per cent go to outlying profit centres and 30 per cent join service centres, often new companies, that tender for business

But that is just the start. By year three or four, Barnevik declares, the 30 per cent in the profit centres can be reduced by a third, the 30 per cent in the service centres can be reduced corporate centre should be further cut



Enemy of bureaucracy: Percy Barnevik says any headquarters head count can be cut by 90 per cent in a year

cent of the staff is eliminated in the first year, another 30 per cent by year three or four - and after the second round of cuts, only 5 per cent will remain in the corporate centre.

This is precisely what happened when Asea and Brown Boveri merged in 1987. Asea, of course, had already reduced its centre to rubble; now Brown Boveri absorbed the sledgehammer's blow - a rapid cut of its pre-merger 4,000-person central complement to 200. To run the newly combined entity, Barnevik created a headquarters with a complement of 100 professionals and a clerical support team of 50.

ABB has some 5,000 autonomous profit centres, each employing an average 50 people. They have their own profit and loss accounts and balance sheets; they own assets; and they serve customers directly. Each of these elements is important, but none more so than the last.

"Everything changes when there's a real customer yelling at you from the other end of the phone," Barnevik says. A direct link with customers collectively by "5,000 profit-responsible individuals with teams of three or four". Suddenly, vast ABB seems a lot more manageable — which is precisely the point

Born in western Sweden, where his father ran a small printers, Barnevik often contends that his operating philosophy is no more than a largescale extension of print shop logic. Consider the 5,000 profit centres as 500 print shops.

arnevik is the most insistent enemy of bureaucracy I have met. His gargantuan operation has just three layers of management. A 13-member executive committee (including Barnevik) runs the show. Below it come 250 senior executives including the business area chiefs, then the profit centre managers. That's it only two layers between the big chiefs and the high performance team members on the shop floor.

Business area chiefs, 65 in all, operating in business segments ranging from power plants and power by half and the 10 per cent in the business". A profit centre is led by a chargers, have responsibility for globmanagement team of five or, as all strategy within agreed budgets. In by half. Add it up, and about 30 per Barnevik puts it, the centres are run practice, business area chiefs and

their small staffs are itinerant preachers - cajoling, comparing unit and competitor results, arranging job transfers for people, transferring knowledge gained from here to there.

The business area concept is pur-posefully fluid. Its base may move from country to country, depending upon business needs and opportunities. Teams range in size from one to 11. Overall, it is an exaggeration to say that Barnevik is obsessed - a word he regularly uses - with keeping business area staff tiny and sponsive to profit centres.

It is these small, independent units which, in all companies, will come to play the lead role in responding to a fickle market place.

I believe there is something special for today's fickle world about the number of 50, the strength of a typical profit centre at ABB. In every case I have studied, the modestly sized grouping turns out to be amazingly effective (both efficient and flexible), and capable of competamong them. ing with anyone.

But the lesson has still to get Tom Peters's new book, Liberation through to most European com-1993 and beyond, they have gone on November 27, price £20.

they should be doing, however, is narrowing their range of businesses while investing to build up a focused international market position in core

Paul Geroski, a professor at the London Business School, makes the point: "On the whole, the evidence suggests that the benefits of scale are modest ... In the vast majority of [European] markets, the probable consequence of 1992 will be an increase in product variety." Geroski provides, as partial support for his hypothesis, a comparison between Britain (with a disproportionate share of huge companies) and Germany. The [British] tend to manufacture relatively standard products in long runs, with production often taking place in plants specialised in one product," he writes. 'German . . . manufacturers, by contrast, produce a great variety of high-quality goods in small batches.... Surprisingly enough, this strategy has involved no apparent sacrifice in put per employee is roughly twice that in the UK."

merica used to be the model for "big-is-great". Now Japan is giantism's supposed some of the story wrong all along. Big Japanese firms were always much less vertically integrated and made much greater use of very small subcontractor "shops", than big American or European firms. But that's the least of it. As Americans look east (to Japan), the Japanese, ironically, are looking west (to Ameri-ca and, to some extent, Europe) for more decentralised business models.

Big Japanese firms are creating droves of independent subsidiaries to inject entrepreneurialism into their sleepy giants. "The era of mass production is over and that will transform the whole nature of our industrial system," says Tadao Kayonari, an economist. "The key company of the future will have fewer

than 150 employees."

All the major forces at work technology, the burst of new competitors and upheaval in financial markets, the emergence of the global village — are dissipating old big's former and historically overstated advantages. It really is that simple.

The emphasis on small, self-contions such as ABB is the essence of necessary disorganisation. Constructing and then perpetually reconstructing networks of such self-contained businesses is the only plausible response to the fickle economy. Percy Barnevik forecasts that on present trends, two thirds of Europe's giant companies will fail in the wake of

panies. Some have gone into reverse. ation for the nanosecond nineties, will be published by Macmillan on

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Row simmers over gilts

A ROW has broken out in the gilt-edged market, with brokers complaining that marketmakers refuse to handle small private-client orders. The market in small amounts of stock ground to a virtual standstill on Monday afternoon and was described as being in a state of "total collapse" by frustrated brokers yesterday. UBS Phillips & Drew. NatWest Gilts and Greenwell, the main marketmakers, are being accused of setting lower limits on deals, or ceasing altogether on smaller orders. because of a surge in activity.
"We've got 20 deals of £10,000 which we've been trying to push through since 10am," complained one broker last night. "The dealers say the sums are too small, or they have shut up shop. One of them said they were not prepared to deal in sums of less than £50,000." According to the Bank of England, the problem has been building up for weeks, since a government decision to seek early redemption of a 1992-6 issue. The situation has been further exacerbated by expectations of lower base rates. The big dealers admit the market was in crisis yesterday but deny that they stopped dealing. Keith Riley, head of NatWest Gilts, said: "We are still dealing, but our settlements system has broken down two or three times in the last few weeks, and that has been the experience of the other major players." The Stock Exchange has temporarily abolished normal reporting times to ease the situation, and called an urgent meeting to be held at era to Fats Waller - as his sole done a lot to encourage exthe exchange last night. "The recreation in Who's Who. One ports." The four months he



back during the recession and they simply haven't got the personnel to cope with this kind of flow," said one broker. **Hunting accident** SIR Michael Richardson,

chairman of Smith New Court, vice-chairman of NM Rothschild and one of the most prominent corporate financiers of his generation, has broken his leg. Richardson, 67, a master of foxhounds, was thrown by his horse as he returned to his Sussex home after hunting on Saturday. The horse, its front legs tangled in wire, kicked Richardson in the knee as he fell and broke his leg. Richardson is now recovering in the Wellington Hospital, London. after an operation to insert pins. His many City friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Doing justice

DOCTOR'S son Sir Peter Taylor, chairman of the 1989 enquiry into the Hillsborough Football Club disaster, and, since June, Lord Chief Justice, lists music - ranging from op-

is the extent of the role music plays in Taylor's life. He first learnt to play the piano at the age of nine as a pupil at Newcastle Royal Grammar School, considered becoming a concert pianist and now, at the age of 62, has achieved that secondary ambition. Last night, to raise £10,000 for the Citizens Advice Bureau in the Royal Courts of Justice, he performed Beethoven and Mozait concertos in front of an audience of 400 in Middle Temple Hall. "He has a terrific reputation as a pianist," says Joan Wheeler-Bennett, chairman of the organising com-mittee, whose husband was once chairman of Borthwicks. "When he was on the circuit he would always make sure that there was a piano on hand so that he could entertain his colleagues when the day's work was done." Taylor was accompanied by Maureen Smith, a professional vio-linist, while, elsewhere in the programme, Viscount (John-ny) Dilhome QC, another law-yer and a noted bass baritone,

sang Russian love songs.

Harrogate joker HOWARD Davies, making his first appearance as director general at this year's CBi conference in Harrogate, was in cracking form yesterday, pep-pering his keynote address with a string of astringent jokes. Into a passage calling on ministers to help companies export to new markets. he managed to slip an unnamed reference to the Matrix Churchill affair, saying he was not just talking about Iraq. "where we know, of course, that ministers have already

of the best kept secrets within has spent in the job had, he the legal profession, however, said, seemed like a lifetime, and he told the conference that from companies' views, he had tried to pull together a clear, tight, unambiguous and universally acceptable point of view on economic, European and social policy: "That exercise led ineluctably to one obvious conclusion, and the CBI president has my letter of resignation before him."

Opera it's not STRANGE noises have been coming out of the Broadgate offices of UBS Phillips & Drew in recent days after the distribution of a number of free compact discs featuring a little known rock band. Painted Face. The band is being promoted within the firm by Philip Stephens, an executive director of corporate finance, whose son Simon, 21. is the keyboard player in the group. The promotion, which includes posters on in-house noticeboards, is meant to ensure that many P&D employ-ees attend the band's inaugural concert in the Rock Garden, Covent Garden, on November 22. The proud father admits that he is likely to be among the audience, even though he normally prefers the musical entertainment to be found elsewhere in Covent Garden, at the Royal Opera House. "They write their own music and it is all good toe-tapping stuff," says Ste-phens, who joined P&D from Chase four years ago and was previously a partner of Laurie Milbank. "I haven't asked any of the Swiss yet," adds Ste-phens, "but if Rudi Mueller (head of the London operation) wants to come, he will be more than welcome."

CAROL LEONARD

What future for Europe?



Nigel Lawson, the former Chancellor (left), and Tom Peters. the management guru (right), will speak on vital Éuropean issues at The Times/Dillons



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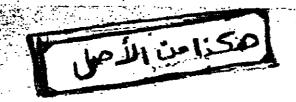
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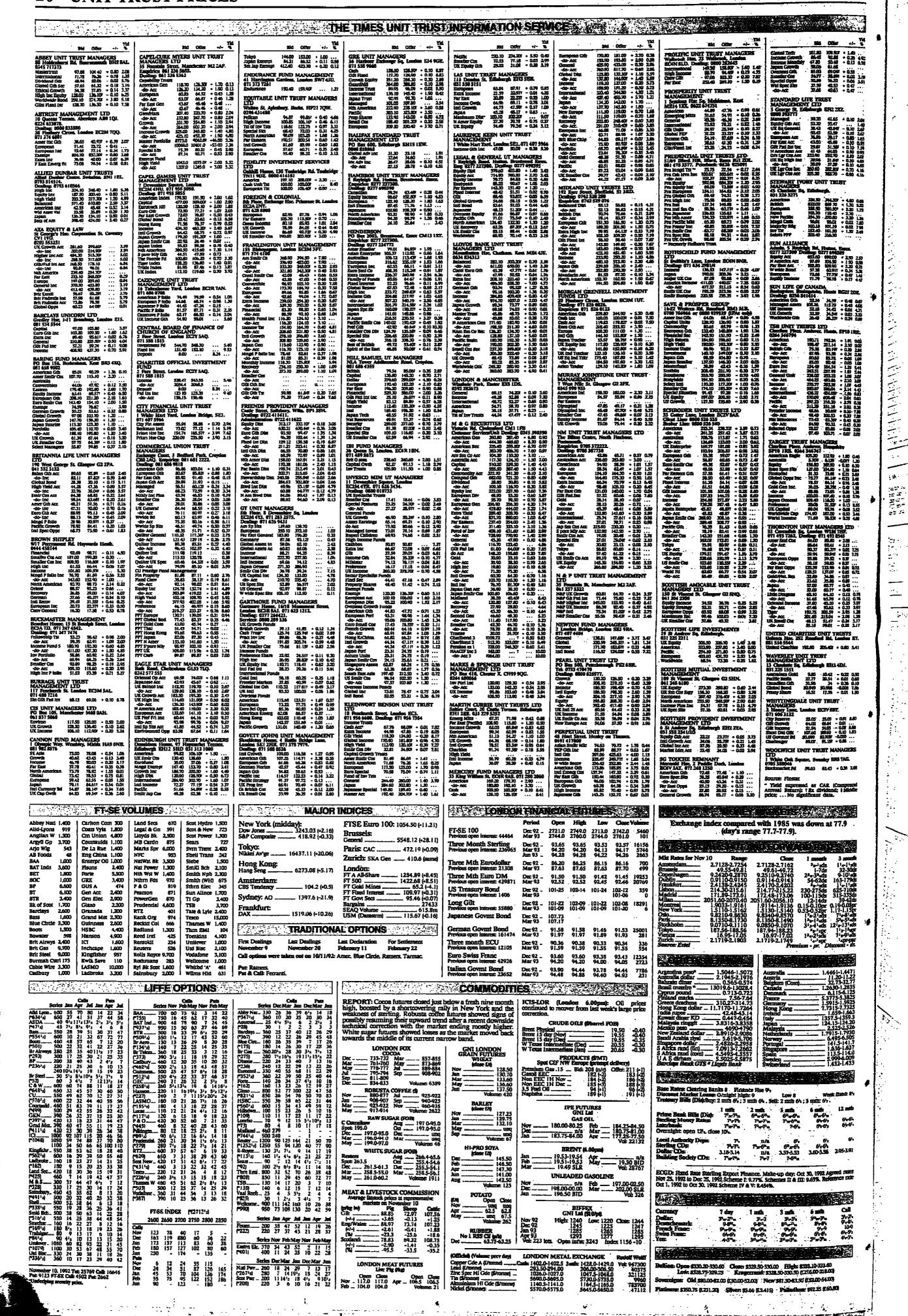
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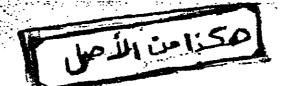


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The big squeeze gives hope to the regions

Today, as British and Ameri-can civil servants face each other in a new series of negotiations aimed at liberalising air services between Britain and the United States, executives of more than a dozen regional airports throughout Britain are waitng with bated breath for signs of

Suddenly, after decades of ap-parent official indifference, they have been catapulted to the forelines from the United States want to operate many more services to British Airways, which, almost alone among big carriers, is still making a profit during the fiercest economic downtum ever to hit inHarvey Elliott looks at Britain's smaller airports and reports on talks with the United States that could boost their standing

want to be able to fly to other countries from Britain - especially if British Airways is to be given the go-ahead to take a big stake in USAir.

Ideally, the Americans say, they want to fly to Heathrow and turn that already busy airport into the world's main international "hub". connecting long-haul flights from both East and West to the European short-haul network. The however, want to develop the regions and have offered the Americans the chance of flying to any airport in Britain when they

want and to charge what fares they like. Whether they take this option

will be the clearest indication yet of the real strength of the arguments put forward by the regions that airline passengers are no longer prepared to put up with the inconvenience of travelling often hundreds of miles from their home to either Gatwick or Heathrow and that if only the leading international airlines can be persuaded to open up new services, the traffic will automatically

full to bursting and logic suggests that the answer to the problem is to move services from the capital

to the regions. Sir Colin Marshall, the chief executive of British Airways, recently emphasised that this does

"I do not believe that you can serve the London market via Manchester or Birmingham or vice versa," he said. "Discrete networks have to be built for each

Although the number of people travelling is likely to quadruple

between now and the year 2010, most of the additional passengers will be carried in much larger planes to the same airports as the nitimes now use. BA reckons that by 2010, 4,000 aircraft, each with 350 seats or more, will be in use, compared with just 800 of that size now in use.

This may still not be enough to cope with the additional demand for flights, especially as govern-ments throughout Europe are apparently determined to ignore any pleas for new airport development. Should it become genuinely impossible to fit any more takeoffs and landings into Heathrow or Gatwick, and should passenger demand concentrate on local airports, the regions could come into

n recent years many regional air-ports — Birmingham, Manchester, Leeds/Bradford and Cardiff, for example - have spent millions of pounds improving their services, develop-ing new terminals and pushing their case around the world (Harvey Elliott writes).

Many airports are still owned by local authorities principally because having a thriving air transport industry on their doorstep is an attraction for business enterprises and benefits the local community. They not only meet the needs of business and tourism, create jobs and generate wealth but put cities firmly on the international map.

The location of airports also helps industry to exploit both national and international markets. In addition, regional airports help to counteract the tendency towards centralisation and to spread economic development into the

regions and away from the capital. Glasgow airport, for example, provides 4,000 jobs directly but a further 2,500 jobs are attracted to the area simply by the airport being where it is.

Over the past few years the trend towards developing regional air links has speeded up. It began with Glasgow

A timetable for take-off

concentrating on Birmingham where British Airways has recently announced its first daily scheduled transatlantic service which is due to begin next March, Already American and United, two of the biggest airlines in the United States, have expressed an interest in flying the route in competition with BA because,

they say, up to one million journeys a year

originate from the Birmingham area and

yet passengers are now almost all having to go to Heathrow or Gatwick. Birmingham airport employs 700 people directly and many more in related industries in the region and is calculated to contribute £35 million a year to the local

Almost 60 per cent of all flights from

Birmingham are business and scheduled traffic, the remainder holiday charter flights. Birmingham has 15 scheduled airlines flying directly to 35 destinations with a further 16 charter airlines and more than 100 tour operators offering services to 45 holiday destinations.

Birmingham spent £60 million on a new terminal called Eurobub in an attempt to become a central point into which passengers from around the world are fed and then transferred on to other flights. This has given the airport an annual passenger capacity of almost seven million and between January and September this year it handled 3,043,203 customers - an increase of 13.9 per cent over the same period in 1991.



International check-in: the Eurohub centre at Birmingham airport

In Cardiff the gradual development of the airport has now provided the whole of Wales and the South-West with a genuine international airport capable of handling all sectors of the air travel industry well

The East Midlands International airport at Castle Donnington — owned by four local authority shareholders — has achieved an annual growth rate of around II per cent since it opened 28 years ago. Now it is feared that it will have reached

jobs in an area badly affected by the planned closure of coal mines. During the past three recessionary years, passenger numbers at East Mid-lands have fallen to about 1.16 million a year, but studies show that the airport would need extra capacity to handle seven million passengers by the year 2005. The airport made profits of £2.5 million last year which, given an 8 per cent fall in passenger numbers, was greeted with

some relief by the local authorities.

its capacity within the next five years and is seeking government approval to extend the runway, build new facilities and create

its remarkable growth over the past decade, thanks keting: a third airline — Conti Flug, of Germany - commencing jet services from Landon City Airport: Luton about to begin a \$40 million development programme and pressing hard for the Luton Interchange, incorporating road, rail and air services; and a new short take-off and landing airport planned near Sheffield. the prospects are looking good for regional airports well into the next

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Giants spot their chance

Local links are a growth area for **British Airways**

and KLM

lready airlines are starting to realise the poten-tial of regional airports and British Airways has set up a special regional business unit to capitalise on its ability to link directly to the regions from airports throughout the country at a cost that should (Harvers Elliott writes). KLM appreciates the possibilities and is capitalising on the strength of its UK regional airports by introducing a new timetable that increases the flight connections available via Amsterdam's Schiphol.

The airline flies three times a day to Amsterdam from Southampton, Cardiff and Birmingham. Partner airlines, such as Air UK, provide links to Schiphol from other UK and Ireland points.

Air UK, in which KLM has a 14.9 per cent stake, is working closely with the Dutch carrier to offer passengers maximum connection opportunities and improving its connections from Glasgow, Aberdeen, Edinburgh New castle and Teesside.

Barry Evans, KLM's marketing manager, said: "Busi-ness travellers increasingly want the convenience of being able to fly from their local airport. Using regional air-ports offers them many advan-tages — easier access, time saved on getting to the airport

and cheaper parking."

There is little doubt that the potential is there, at least in theory, for quick and successful growth. The government wants local authority airports



A Cityhopper at Cardiff airport: KLM is increasing its connections via Amsterdam

to be privatised but only two — Liverpool and Luton — have so far attempted it and with only

partial success. Michael Watts, a solicitor for Rowe and Maw, aviation legal specialists, believes that airport owners should now consider the potential benefits that privatisation can offer.

Already airports with a turnover of more than £1 million a year are bound to form companies for the purpose of carrying on the business of operating an airport as a commercial undertaking, affecting all but the smallest regional airports.

r Watts says that since most airports ▼ ⊥ are making profits. the potential for a successful privatisation exists. "Interest has been aroused from investment and other groups," he adds. They rightly perceive the industry overall as one of

virtually unlimited growth in

demand and essentially monopolistic in character and within which many assets have yet to be fully exploited.

The timetable may be crowded over the next few years and amount owners would perhaps be wise to consider the issues now.

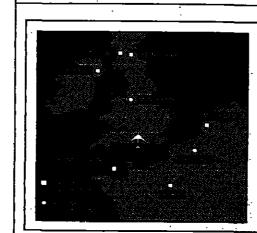
Twenty-five of Britain's largest regional airports — all members of the Joint Airports Committee of Local Authorities - are already well aware of the potential, and the problems, that lie in the future.

Now they are determined to ensure that regional airports fulfill that potential, avoid the problems and convince passengers that it makes sense to fly from near home rather than fly through the traffic to over-crowded Heathrow.

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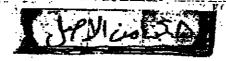
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Ben Kingsley was being sworn in as President but only on screen



After 2,500 years, Greece's greatest glory is being restored. Marcus Binney reports on the solving of a mystery with 13,700 clues

Piecing together the Parthenon

The Acropolis is being restored. Temples bristle with scaffolding. The Propylaia is a mesh of steel poles and wooden planks. Inside the Parthenon - the most celebrated Doric temple of ancient Greece - a vast crane revolves menacingly on a concrete platform. Outside a gantry hoist glides along special rails.

Yet, contrary to appearances, this is not a wholesale renewal in the spirit of Viollet-le-Duc or Gilbert Scott. It does not involve systematic replacement of eroded stonework or conjectural restoration of missing features. Rather it is the world's most amazing 3-D jigsaw puzzle. The architectural jewels of the Acropolis will be put back together, piece by piece, using fragments still extant after more than two thousand years.

Even today the vast rock of the Acropolis has only one entrance. through the portico of the Propylaia where the columns stand three deep and more. Once through the entrance, the beautifully proportioned silhouene is immediately visible ahead, and helow it, on the left, the Erechtheion Temple with

its famous caryand porch. Manolis Korres, the Greek architect leading the work, has calculated that the Parthenon of Pericles consisted of 13,700 pieces: "Even after the plundering, shelling and restorations of the past, there are on the ground about 700 large fragments of the Parthenon, and many thousands of smaller pieces."

The abiding fascination of the Parthenon is that it was more beautifully made, and was fitted

uskin would have furned. than any human structure before or since. Not a teaspoonful of mortar or cement was used. Many joints are estimated to be less than 1/100th of a millimetre wide. "Not a breath of air could pass between the solid blocks of masonry."

Korres says.

The drums of the columns were calibrated, like the parts of a modern jet engine, to achieve a perfect fit. Korres has found the drums were honed against matching pairs of stone plates, so that each stone exactly complemented

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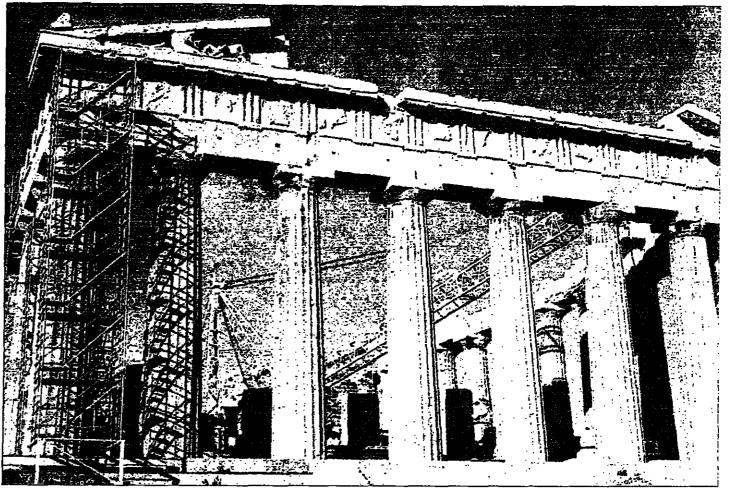
those above and below. "We have found 15 fragments of 13 different

Korres brings the Parthenon alive by his total involvement in every aspect of its history. He is a prolific, yet highly precise draughts-man. One of his most intriguing drawings, done for an exhibition now in Berlin, shows the Parthe-non in 1687, four seconds after a Venetian cannonball hit the Turkish arsenal inside. "It was a sixsecond explosion," he says, and shows precisely how cornices flew, columns trembled and tumbled,

Dr Peter Kaligas, director of the Acropolis, describes the clues which have enabled architects and archaeologists to ascertain the original position of fallen stones with such exactness. First, the pattern of wind erosion on the two sides is very different. Secondly, each stone was eased into position with levers. making slight marks on the lower

Above all it is the position of the channels made for the iron cramps which joined the stones that provides the vital evidence. "There are big deviations in the exact position of the cramps from stone to stone, as a result of the search for the best position in the veins of the marble." Korres says. While working on the Erechtheion, Korres could immediately tell a stone had been misplaced during the course of an earlier restoration, because the cramp channels did not line up. It is well known that the base, or

stylobate, of the Parthenon was gently curved to counteract the natural distortions of the eye. Korres has calculated that similar differences applied to the walls. We can measure these curvatures, using instruments which can pick up a difference of one-tenth of a millimetre," he says. "Also the corners of the stones are not quite at 90 degrees, but a little acute. Using all these measurements and observations we can assemble plentiful criteria for the positioning of each block." Korres points out how the fluting of various Doric columns is not exactly in line. "Individual stones have shifted sideways or rotated. This is the result of earthquakes, including a big one in 1981. From this we have learnt



The world's most amazing 3-D jigsaw puzzle: modern technology is brought to bear on reconstructing Athens' ancient wonder

that the Parthenon is a valuable and reliable seismic archive.

While the west end of the Parthenon, nearer the entrance, is the more complete, retaining both inner and outer columns. It was very badly pined by Venetian shelling. For sheer quality of stonework, the east end, which was the original main entrance, is superior. Having completed conservation work on the outer columns Korres is turning to the reconstruction of the missing inner row.

The philosophy so far, says Kaligas, has been "to put back the

maximum ancient masonry possible, at the same time adding the least possible new material". So, for example, there will be no new roof or walls to destroy the lines of the familiar ruin. Such reconstruction is not new. A large part of the north colonnade was reconstructed from fallen masonry in the 1920s.

The Parthenon's interior was always thought to have been dark. lit only when the doors were open. Korres has shown there was a large window on either side of each doorway, set high up under the comice. He has also found that in

version of Rostand's Cynano

de Bergerac, which opens at

the Theatre Royal Haymarket

on December 14, will have Robert Lindsay (still basking

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Bleasdale's television drama)

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Three days later, at the

Criterion Theatre. Sharon

Gless - the blonde half of

Cagney and Lacey — makes

adaptation of Stephen King's

with notable film portravals

black comedy called On the

Ledge: a title which is both

literal and metaphorical. Set

on the window ledges and roof

of a tower block, it is said to be

"a portrayal of a city going to

hell". On the Ledge will be a

co-production with the Nat-

ional Theatre where it will end

up in April, after a brief British

THE bicentenary celebra-

tions of Robert Adam, Scot-

land's most famous architect.

reach a climax on Friday

evening in Edinburgh. A new

monument built to one of

Adam's own designs, will be

unveiled in Greyfriars Church, followed by a concert

of music from Adam's period.

The monument, instigated by

the Royal Incorporation of

Architects, is the first memo-

last year.

best-selling thriller, Misery.

front of the Parthenon stood a large pedestal for a statue built in Hellenistic times for the kings of

Pergamum.

The fruits of this research are displayed in the Centre for Acropolis Studies, just opposite the remains of the theatre of Dionysus. Here there is a set of models illustrating the Acropolis through history, showing how Pericles built a massive artificial platform to increase the size of the top of the rock, as well as showing the Parthenon's later incarnations as a Byzantine church and a mosque.

Other models and drawings show the different ways stones were hauled and hoisted, often with sophisticated wooden cranes. Each stone had spurs or grooves around which ropes could be tied, or hollows into which damps could be set There is also a display of painted terra conta roof tiles and roof ornaments giving a vivid indication of the colourfulness of the various temples in ancient times. Within a few years the Greeks have brought the Acropolis alive in a way that a century of classics textbooks never

Of profits and human loss

Seventy years after Eric Gill's war memorial was unveiled its theme can

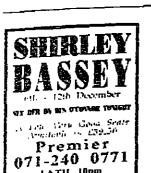
still shock

ven the most bizarre and sexually deviant laspects of Eric Gill's troubled life have, in recent years, been exposed with disquieting clarity. But now the focus shifts back to his art, with today's opening, at the Barbican Art Gallery, of a first-ever retrospective surveying his

achievement as a sculptor. Most of his finest carvings have been brought together at the Barbican. But the extraordinary tour de force that is arguably Gill's masterpiece proved too bulky to travel from is home at Leeds University. So any serious appreciation of his art requires a visit to Leeds to see this titanic stone relief.

Commissioned as a memorial to the first world war by Michael Sadler, the universiture tackles the surprising subject of Our Lord Driving he Moneychangers out of the Temple. This strange idea occurred to Gill as early as in when he proposed a design for a large bronze memorial to the London County Council's dead emplayers. While sitting for his portrain and trying to decide herween thinking about wemen (in some detail) and thinking what I could do for the LCC monument". Gill ruddenly realised "that the act or lesus in turning out the ouyers and sellers from the Lample was really a most asurageous act and very warlike. Not surprisingly, the proposal was turned down.

call felt angry about the wealth amassed by the war profueers. But he also believed that the moneychangers story





Prince of peace: Gill's Our Lord Driving the Moneychangers out of the Temple still hangs at Leeds University

justified the British decision to take up arms against Germany. "Thus, for all time", he wrote of Christ's precipitate action, "the use of violence in a just cause is made lawful."

Alarmingly, Gill went on to argue that houses of God required purging in the 20th century just as urgently as in Christ's day. When he heard about the damage inflicted on Rheims Cathedral by the German advance, he angrily insisted on the "need to construct a whip of thongs wherewith to drive the money-changers out of the Temple of England. God has found a whip of German guns wherewith to deprive the money-changers of the temples of France."

Gill's attitude would hardly have commended him to a patron capable of commissioning the memorial he wanted to produce. All the same. Sadler became interested in the proposal. Before the war he had been Kandinksy's first supporter in Britain, and Sadler's audacity resurfaced when he considered Gill's scheme.

Having recently received a £1,000 legacy from a Yorkshire woman to be used for Leeds University's benefit, Sadler decided to spend it on Gill's memorial. He did not even waver when the sculptor gleefully announced that, "I'm thinking of making it a pretty straight thing: modern dress as much as poss, Leeds manufacturers, their wives and servants, don't you see."

Both Gill and his patron must have guessed that the money-changers image would cause deep offence, especially among local businessmen who had suffered the loss of sons during the war and expected a far more decorous, dignified monument. But Gill was bent on assuming Christ's purifying role when he carried out this "revolutionary job", and

between its teeth. The hound initiates the movement which runs through the entire frieze, and the curve of its tail is echoed by the seven cords swinging from the whip in symbolic recognition of the Seven Deadly Sins.

Christ flings back this scourge to aim it at the targets of his scorn, and his draped figure shows clear evidence of

'Go to now, you rich men, weep and howl in your miseries which shall come upon you. Your riches are putrid'

Sadler managed to obtain the university's consent for the inflammatory carving.

In one respect alone did Gill temper his onslaught on the sensibilities of the people he criticised. The biblical inscription running along the comice declares: "Go to now, you rich men, weep and howl in your miseries which shall come upon you. Your riches are putrid." He decided, however. to carve this execration in Latin, and employed the same language for the inscription on the right where the expul-

sion story is summarised. Beneath these words, incised with all the skill and elegance Gill commanded as a letter-cutter, the hound of the Lord rushes past an overturned money-changer's table with a burning torch gripped Gill's long-held admiration for early medieval stone carvings. But he did not allow this influence to weaken his desire

for hard-hitting, present-day relevance. The figures, in their 20th-century clothes, are depicted in a style reminiscent of William Roberts, Gill's contemporary. And although the five fleeing men are supposed to represent two financiers, a politician, a pawnbroker's clerk and his master, they all look strangely similar. Even their movements echo each other. There is a comic-strip air about these cowed, scurrying outcasts, and their absurdity is heightened by the contrast between their ungainliness and the cool, austere

harmony of the arches running behind them. Ridicule is spiced with a hint

of the relief, where the pawnbroker carries the balls symbolic of his profession. Gill slyly makes sure that only two of them are visible, and allows the "fashionable woman" to grasp one of the poles supporting the balls. The gesture is surreptitious: her hand sidles out behind her dress, and might easily be mistaken for the pawnbroker's. Once seen, though, her fingers imply that she is just as stealthy in pursuing her own interests as her male companions. She holds up her vanity bag with a possessive zeal reminiscent of the nearby clerk, who hugs the ledger with "LSD" inscribed on the cover.

When the memorial was installed on an outside wall near the university library in 1923, it provoked fierce controversy. The Yorkshire Post even attempted to "cancel or delay" the dedication ceremony, and a defiant Gill fanned the scandal by publishing a highly contentious pamphlet about the carving's political aims. It confirmed, to the disgust and fury of his detractors in a town renowned as a financial centre, that he was obsessed by modern war's relationship with the generation and accumulation of

RICHARD CORK • The Eric Gill show continues at the Barbican Art Gallen (07)-638 4141) until February 7.

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rial to Adam in Scotland; he is buried in Westminster Abbey. State of the arts

NOBODY ever accused the Germans of not taking drama seriously. In Hanover, they have just spent DM63 million (£20 million) on a new State Theatre. It will begin putting on performances at the end of this month, and the choice is as heavyweight as one might expect: Brecht's Threepenny Opera on November 28 and Wedekind's Lulu the follow-

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TEOREMA: Giorgio Battistell's provocative "opera without engars" (the only vocal sounds are electronically reproduced) is besed on a novel (and the 1966 film) by Pisr Paolo Pasolini. Staged by producer Lucy Balley (whose work is always worth seeing), the piece has already been performed to some accident with Materials in accision at the Magado Musicale in Porence and at Hans Werner Henze's Munich Bennale Orazia Tuccella conducts the 22-piece orchestra. Queen Etizabeth Hall, South Bank.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: Northern Beliet Theetre presents the London premiere of its production of Charles premiere of its production of unemo-blokens's cautionary tale. Director Christopher Gable describes if as more of a Circarnes enterteament then a ballet, not supprising ence his dencers have to sing as well as dence. The company is dedicating its London season to the memory of Sir Kenneth Mischillan who ded last month Royalty Theatre, Portugal Street, WC2 (D71-494 5090). Tonight-Set, 7:30pm,

SE1 (071-928 9800), 7.45pm.

BORDER CROSSINGS/ERIC GILL-Flagship of the ambitious testival of Scandinavian errs, "Tender is the North", "Border Crossings" shows 14 Nordic artists from Munich and Strindberg, through Jorn and Kjerve) down to Hulda Helton. There are also Design Museum, and several elsewhere The first-ever retrospective additional to he grant of 20th-century British culpture, tanges from his early works

☐ ARTISTS AND ADMIRERS: Ostrovsky's sharp, affectionale picture a theatrical anthol in Russia circa 1880.

Lovely performances. The PR, Berbican Centre, Sik Street. EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm 150mms

ASSASSINS: Sondherm's sharp and successful musical explores the impulse that drives no-hopers to kill

American Presidents
Dominar Warehouse, Earthern Street,
WC2 (071-867 1150), Mon-Sat, 7.30pm,
mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm, 105mms.

COLOR HAND THE MAIDEN: Ariel Dorinen's scorching psychological drama on the longing for revenge. Penny Downie, Denny Webb and Hugh Ross meire up the cast. Dulte of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836-5122), Mon-Sat, Sprit, mets Thurs, Sprit, Sat, 4pm. 120mins.

performances of the rock/in/of muscal Prince of Wales, Covertry Street, W1 (071-839 5987), Tonight, tomorrow, 8pm, Frl. Sat, 5.30pm and 8.30pm. Closes Saturday. IT GOOD ROCKEN TONITE: Final

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the hospital common noom; matron ourraged; doctors flummosed. Ray Cooney larce with lots of laufys Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue, WC2 (071-839 4401) Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mate Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5.30pm.

☐ JUNE MOON: Naive songwiter conquers Tin Pan Alley Delightful comedy by Ring Landner and George

S Kautman, Excellent cast led by Adam. Godley and Frank Lazarus. Vaudeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-836

9987) Mon-Sat, 7 45pm, mat Sat, 3pm.

☐ KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN:

Tremendously glossy production of the Kander & Epp musical, it coarsens the

Kander & Ego musical. Il coarsers in values of Manuel Purg's novel but Chita. Rivers makes a striking vermo. Startfeabury. Sortleabury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5389). Mon-Sat 8pm, mets Wed, Sat, 3pm. 160mins.

treachery and embition revealed as an English couple herbour (wo

Engisin couple restour two Czechoslovakian exiles. Jane Asher heads an exceptional cast in James Saunders's metiligent play. Critorion Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Fn, Spm, Sal, 8 30pm, mets Tues, 3pm, Sal, 5,30pm.

MAKING IT BETTER: Lust,

NEW RELEASES

THEATRE GUIDE

MURDER BY MISADVENTURE: ☐ MURTDER BY MISAOVENTURE: Gerald Harper and William Gaunt play orine withers who fall out and pit their wicked wiss against each other run-of-the-mill thrills. Whitehalls. Whitehell, SW1 (071-867 1119). Mon-Fn, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats. Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 5.30pm, 120mins.

☐ RADIO TIMES: Tony Statieny in a fun trip down Memory Lane, set in wartine Broedcasting House, bursting with sprightly Noel Gay numbers. Queen's, Snattesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494-6040). Mon-Fn, 7 30pm, Sat. 8pm, mats Thurs, 2.30pm, Sat. 4.30pm. 150mms.

THE RISE AND FALL OF LITTLE VOICE: Alson Steadings and Jane Horocks in Jim Catheright's play about a sty girl escaping her raucous mother. Ingenious but incredible. Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm.

Stockard Charming as the not New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's line play on human inter-dependence Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Set, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm. Sea, 4pm, 90mins.

putlingly earnest. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm, mat today, 2pm, 165mins.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts compiled by Karl Knight

of 1910 to his death in 1940 (see feature, page 29). Burblean Art Gallery, Silk Streat, EC2 [071-638 4141] Mon, Wed-Sat, 10am-6 45pm, Tues. 10am-5.45pm, Sun,

STEVE SMITH AND VITAL INFORMATION: The versable drummer is preed by keyboard player from Coster of Sentane, guidans! Frank Gembale of Coree's Elektric Band, and bass-player Jeff Andrews, sidemen to Nachael Brocker. An evening of jezz virtuosity can be expected Jazz Caté, 15a Parkway, London NW1

REGIONAL BIRMINGHAM: The St Petersburg Philhermonic gives the lest of five concerts at Symphony Hell in a Tchalkovsky Festival that features the symphonies. Tonight's programme comprises the Polonaise and Watz from Eugene Onegen, the Rococci Variations and the Manfred Sympi Variations and the Mentred Symphon Cellist Karine Georgian is sololist. Symphony Malf. Broad Street. Birmingham (021-212 3333), lonight, 8pm (more concerts Fn-Sun).

women confined in a house where, a hundred years ago, a Victorian wife was banished for loving too pessionalely. Blandingham Rep Studio, Centenary Square (021-236 4455). Preview tonight, 7.45pm; opens tomorrow, 7.45pm; then

FARMHAM: The line bluesman He has played alongside such notables as Charlie Pation, Robert Johnson and The Pit, Redgrave Theore, Enghavells (0252 715301), 7.30pm.

MANCHESTER: Raymond Leppard conducts the Hallé Orchestra in three concerts this week leaturing the distinguished plants! Pascal Rogé performing Saint-Saêns's Second Blanc Crostor. The immation Plano Concerto The remaining programme comprises Greg's Suite No 1 from Peer Gynt, Tchalkovsky's Seranade in C for Strings and Ravel's characteristics

NOTTINGHAM: As part of the European Arts Festival the City of Birmbingham Symphony Orchestra performs two symphonies by the Denish composar Carl Neisen. The programme combines the first and third "Empresses" a symphonic Metaloria. programme can be are as a to the ("Expensive") symphonies. Mehler's Leder eines fahrenden Gesellen completes the programme. Olat Bär (bartone) and Solvety Kringelborn (soprano) are the soloista. Simon Rattie

Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Square (0602 482626), 7.30pm.

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E NO MAN'S LAND: Spellbriding journey ato Pinterland with Herold himself and Paul Eddington as the two resident combatants. stalking combatants. Almeide, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404), Mon-Sat, Spm, mat Sat, 4pm.

SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION:

SQUARE ROUNDS: Science, good or evi? Tony Hamson looks at lour famous munition-makers. Largely lemale cast, good acting but off-

black American play. Witty back stage banter and cleverly delivered message. Tricycle, 269 Kilbum High Road, NW6 (071-328 1000). Mon-Sel, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 135mms

THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA: David Tracker's winning revisit, Thries style, both comic and romance, deligidatily acted — not least by a repreachful mutt. zan, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm. 150n IN THE WESPORD TRILOGY: A revival of Billy Roche's celebrated chronicle of small town life. This weak Poor Beast in the Rain, set in a betting-

shop on the eve of the all-frelend hurting final, joins A Handful of Stere in the repentory: Belliny to follow. Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 WHICH WITCH: Norwegien opera-

musical on the murky doings in Renaissance Europe. Not lavoured by reviewers.
Piccadilly, Denman Street, W1 (071-867 1118). Mon-Set, 7.30pm, met Thurs, Set, 2.30pm. 165mms.

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☐ The Woman in Blacic Fortune (071-836 2238).

CINEMA GUIDE

◆ THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS (12): Romance and adventure in the Amencan colonies with frontersman Damel Day-Lewis, Shallow version of the classic novel, director Michael Mann. Camdon Parlowsy (771-267 7034)
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FLAMING EARS: Low-budget, PLoanest Sens, Corporation Austrian futuristic lashian adventure from Austrian film-malers Angele Hens Scheid, Dietmar Schipek and Ursula Puerrer. Scale (071-278 0051).

SIMPLE MEN (15): Two brothers search for their activist teather. Hel Hartley's patented brand of addbell philosophising and brusque action; slicter but less letching than before Chelses (071-351 3742/3743) Metro (071-437 0757) Everymen (071-435

CURRENT

CINEMAS

◆ LES AMANTS DU PONT NEUF (18): Leos Carat's hymn to Pans and a punk burn's love for a young artist going blind. Terrific in spurts, and a real Metro (071-437 0757) Renoir (071-837

• 1482: CONQUEST OF PARADISE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on release across the country

director Ridley Scott, but not enough dramatic meat. Gérard Depardieu as dramatic meat. Gerard Departitiou as Columbus; Sigourney Weaver as Queen Isabet. Barbican (071-638 8891) Empire (071-579 999) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Trocadero (071-

THE CRYING GAME (18): IRA ♦ THE CRYING GAME (18: IFA gurman becomes obsessed with a hostage a girlfriend. Bold, powerful Nel Jordan film that latters at the close Stars Stephen Res., Forest Whitairer, Jaye Davidson, Miranda Richardson.

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GLENGARRY GLEN ROSS (15). CALENGARATY GLEN HOSS (15).
Red-estate salesmen hight for their lives.
Energetic version of David Marnet's
play, though Jack Lammon goes over
the top. Co-staming Al Pacano, Ed
Harris; director, James Foley.
Odeon Haymarket (0428 915353). HUSBANDS AND WIVES (15): Woody Alien's best film in years, a lacerating

836 0691) MGM Chelson (071-352 5096) Minema (071-235 4225) Odeon Kensington (0426 914686) Screen on the Green (071-226 3520)

(071-836 2238).

◆ STRICTLY BALLROOM (PG): One dancer's fight to dely the rules of the Australian Ballroom Dancing Federation. Ebullent, Intoxicating debut by director Baz Lutimann. With Paul Mercuno, Tera Monce. MGM Chelses (071-352 5096) MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Odeon Kensington (0428 914666) West End (0426 915574) Renok (071-837 8402) Screen on the HIB (071-435 3366) UCI Walteleys (071-732 3332)

Wesley Snipes and Woody Harrelson as basketball con artists in Los Angeles. Fresh, funny Americana, from writer-director Ron Shellon, With Rosie Perez. cedero (071-434 0031) Plaza (071-497 9999).

◆ WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP (15):

TENDER IS THE NORTH: SCANDENAVIAN CINEMA 1916-92: Toright, Sven Nykvist's spare and percingly beautiful The Cx opens Britain's largest even season of Nordic films. Recent releases mingle with size tilms. Recent releases mingle with stant classes (The Phantom Camage, The Atonement of Gosta Berting) and 23 tims by ingmar Bergman Barbican Cinema (071-638 8891), until Dec 13.

THEATRE: Benedict Nightingale on a bold revival of Pirandello's masterpiece

Unnatural acts of axemanship

Italian revivals of Six Characters in Search of an Author, the most frequently performed of Pirandello's plays, tend to be dreary, predictable affairs, badly in need of a director prepared, as he puts it in the programme, to "cut away the dead wood". Certainly, his own creative axemanship is apparent from the very start of the production he has brought (with sponsorship from Olivetti) from-Rome to the National. Up go the lights. not on a stage being readied for a drawing-room comedy of the 1920s, but on one which looks more likely to house Miss Saigon or Robert Lepage's touring version of 2001, A Space

Odyssey.
So it turns out, too. Actors and stagestaff wander in T-shirts and denims beneath steel scaffolding, shouting. bickering and posing for a team from the local equivalent of Channel 4. The play they begin to rehearse is not the one specified in Pirandello's script: his own naturalistic Rules of the Game. Instead, they launch into what appears to be a deconstructionist version of his unfinished The Mountain Giants. What the six characters interrupt is a gaudy mix of figures flaunting gold top-hats and rubber breasts, throbbing lights, and weird, spectral cries of

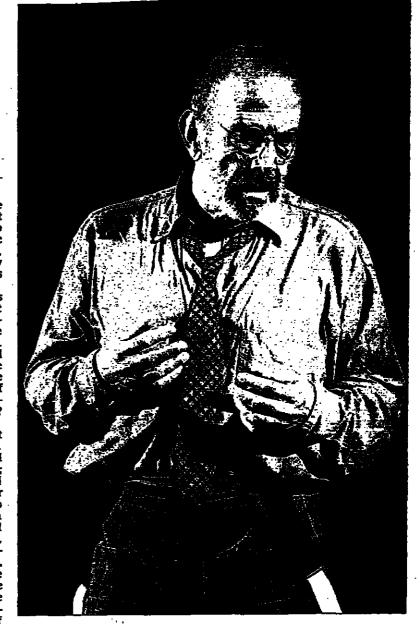
I am not at all sure this is a good idea. The people invading the rehearsal are supposed to be characters abandoned by their author. They have come to the playhouse in the hope that its actors will bring life to the dark and terrible story that he did not complete: and the actors prove comically inadequate when they try to do so. Pirandello's point was that, in spite of its claims

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to truthfulness, the naturalistic theatre tended to travesty and distort life. But the theatre Zeffirelli shows us seems to be dedicated to wilder, more exotic isms than naturalism. Why, then, should the six characters or anybody else think it significant when the actors duly fail to be real?

There turn out to be other oddities as the evening proceeds. And yet Zeffirelli's revisionism has fundamentally achieved what he hoped. The stage bubbles with energy throughout. I even found myself believing in the tall tales that the six characters ask the actors to perform. Is it possible to base earnest conclusions about the nature of illusion and reality on the melodramatic events acted out, as Pirandello does? Well, yes, somehow it is. 🐬

Paradoxically, that is thanks to a cast that sometimes seems miscast. Benedetta Buccellato looks too old and experienced to play the Stepdaughter; yet she proves able to flinch and virginally shrink as well as rage, sneer and sound brassy. But there can be no quibbles about either Barbara Valmorin, a crumpled, bewildered Mother, or Enrico Maria Salerno, whose Father can move from solemnity to shiftiness, humour to desolation. in a twinkling. He is a much more emotionally complete figure than the gravely embarrassed oldsters I have seen in English revivals of Six Characters, a justification in himself of Zeffirelli's revival.



Enrico Maria Salerno: from humour to desolation in a twinkling

DANCE: Nadine Meisner finds minimalist pleasures at Dance Umbrella

A COINCIDENCE of programming revealed close links between the two final events of this year's Dance Umbrella, Anne Teresa de Keersmaeker's Rosas Danst Rosas, already brought here in the mid-1980s by Dance Umbrella, gave a reminder at The Place of what this Belgian choreographer's early work looked like. Its movement ideas looked similar to those still used by the British choreographer Lea Anderson, who presented her new show for The Cholmondeleys. Walky Talky, at the ICA. Anderson has constructed her minimalist dance language out of observed human gesture; but so did Keersmaeker before her -

more breadth and resonance. Today, Rosas Danst Rosas, rigorous and demanding, looks like a definitive minimalist's proclamation: the monumental product of a stylistic fashion now largely past. It takes the minimalist premise of restriction and repetition to its logical limit not by a furthernarrowing of scope, though, but by extending its application. Even the choice of title refers to the name of

with, it must be said, considerably

THIS concert opened with what is surely one of the most beautiful pieces of music ever composed, William Byrd's Iustorum animae, a work of formidable intensity achieved through apparently the simplest, most spacious

Then, after the denser Quomodo cantabimus? by the same composer a touch garbled in this performance came an earlier work. John Sheppard's second setting of the respond In manus tuas did a similar job just as impressively and in just as individual a style. Such works as these eloquently speak of the privations, desperation and enduring strength of faith which composers labouring in the turbulent times of the Reformation must have

Melting though the sounds of these works were, they were trumped by

Robots have feelings too

Rosas Danst Rosas

The Place

Walky Talky

Keersmaeker's company, Rosas. As a result, Rosas's four female dancers appear as more than the dance equivalent of minimalist music.

A hand raised to the chin, an arm slicing sharply across, a torso slumping forward: such gestures build into elaborate phrases that are exhaustively reiterated and then shift into something else. Swinging hair, a brief smile, the thud of a body, a hissing exhalation of breath, all:these equally become a part of a choreography which matches the sections of percussive music by Thierry de Mey and Peter Vermeersch.

But Keersmacker goes much further than the movement, the mere notes. She applies her repeated patterns to the piece's structure, to the positioning stage, to their movements in unison or swerve sharply, for example, then

counterpoint. Most significantly, she sets up a tension between the notions of abstraction and expression. The dancfragmented assemb-

led and repeated movements behave like machines; yet we seem to be encouraged to give their actions an emotional colouring, to see the touching of a breast as sensual or the gripping of a stomach as pain. More than that, she herself at times clearly invests the choreography with expression, demonstrating how one set of activity can look either anguished or flirtatious, depending on the dancer.

At almost two hours long without a break, the piece offers a devastating display of stamina. But the dancers. also impress by their finesse, varying and progress of the dancers about the the speed of movements, starting a

finishing it with leisurely creaminess. By contrast, Anderson's choreography makes her all-female Cholmondeleys look like non-dancers. The robotic simplicity (raise hand, step to the right, step to the left ...) seems closer to keep-fit exercises. And where Keersmaeker has since expanded her range, Anderson seems stuck in a rut. To bring an extra dimension to Walky Talky (touring Britain through

November), Anderson has enlisted Anne Rabbitt as a writer. Rabbitt (who with Anderson also appears as one of the cast) has produced a text of dreamlike anecdotes and dialogues, in keep-ing with the action which takes place on or around a huge bed. The dancers speak the words; their jokes are mildly amusing. Drostan Madden's score has more variety than usual; Sandy Powell's costumes, as always, look beautifully cut and luxurious. But the piece scarcely lives up to its claim of developing characters. Even so, The Cholmondeleys have a loyal band of followers who instead of amateurish superficiality detect breezy freshness and lack of pretension.

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CONCERT: Sacred music from Byrd to Messiaen

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Thomas Tallis's re-Videte

spond miraculum, composed either late in Henry VIII's reign or under the rule of

Mary I, which is a piece standing at the summit of even this great composer's achievements. Tallis's text, and the ceremonial form he uses - an alternation of progressively shortened polyphonic sections and plainsong verses -are both highly functional. He weaves his counterpoint around a tenor line the original plainsong - in long, equal

notes, in the accept-The Sixteen ed unifying manner

> of immense expressive freedom. It can speak to anyone, believer or not, because like all great art it has something to say about the general condition of humanity, over and above as specific religious purpose. The piece tested the voices of The Sixteen more harshly than what had gone before, and minor shortcomings were re-

vealed. But the conductor, Harry

of the day. Yet this is a music

Christophers, immersed himself thoroughly in the spirit of this music while maintaining an admirable lucidity. The result, far from being cosily closeted in the rarefied world of the cathedral close, at once combined the meditative with the passionate.

From 16th-century England we travelled to 20th-century France. Poulene's sacred music, despite its sincerity and harmonic richness, can seem somewhat fractured, so it was no surprise that neither a Salve Regina setting nor the Quatre motets pour un temps de pénitence had the effect of what had gone before. Messiaen's gorgeous O sacrum convivium is another matter, however, and Christophers restored to the choir all the poise and control he had engineered earlier.

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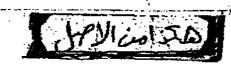
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ROCK: David Sinclair is charmed, if not wholly convinced, by the British debut of a vocal group that has already conquered America

he moment of truth at Hammer-smith Odeon came about halfway British deput by the vocal group that has taken America by storm. En Vogue. The four young women, dressed in leopardskin corsets and spangly hotpants, gathered in a huddle and laid into a tightly-scripted harmony version of the Lennon! McCartney standard "Yesterday" Refere long the transmission of the day. day". Before long the untypically syrupy arrangement gave way to a rapid-fire medley of soul classics: Aretha Franklin's arrangement of "Respect". Marvin Gaye's "I Heard It Through The Grapevine". Labelle's "Lady Marmalade" and

As the self-styled "funky divas" scythed through these great songs - their movements lithe and energetic their rapidly alternating lead and harmony vocals as bright and shiny as a diamond there was only one thing missing. Soul. Indeed comparing En Vogue to the greats of soul is like comparing the

A lot of heart, but not much soul

Monkees to the Beatles. Rather like the Monkees, En Vogue started out as the product of someone else's imagination: namely the songwriting and production team of Thomas McElroy and Denzil Foster from Oakland, California. In 1988 the pair held auditions for a female group to work on an album which they were making. Cindy, Terry, Maxine and Dawn were the successful applicants.

It was not hard to see why. From the moment they shimmied on stage, wiggling their pert bottoms and swishing their fake occlot coats over their shoulders. it was clear that these women had more to offer than mere singing ability alone.

There was sound advice from Terry on what to do if your man threatens to walk out (say you're sorry, cook him a meal and



En Vogue: vivacious appeal and a genuine talent for entertaining

lay him down on the couch to reconsider his position, apparently). There was a namy tap-dancing interlude from Cindy. together with one of the five male dancers iwho all performed their cameo roles magnificently throughout). And there were fetchingly lurid costumes all round. notably the silver, baby-doll dresses which they wore to memorable effect while standing on a platform over a gusting fan at the end.

The backing band, ranged on two levels to either side of a central row of steps. produced a suitably bass-heavy dance club sound while negotiating the varied styles and moods of the repenoire with calm authority. In front the four principals worked with unremitting vigour, shoring up each other's performances, and batting

metody and harmony lines to and fro in songs which shifted from the beatbox funk of "Hip Hop Lover" to the heavy

There was a humorously gauche quality to the performance and the show's distinctly unreconstructed tone was reinforced by lots of girlish banter. During the suggestive smooth of "Give Him Something He Can Fee!" a cheerfully gormless lad was hauled from the audience and courted by all four women. He looked a bit shell-shocked by the time they led him off into the wings.

Having maintained a healthy impetus throughout, they finished with two of their biggest hits, "Hold On" and "My Lovin" (You're Never Gonna Get It)". It was a show which made up in colour, pizzazz and sheer effort for whatever it lacked in style, but despite an impressive ovation the women declined to take an encore. The strong impression of a band with vivacious appeal and a genuine talent for ententining remained.

The exile who plans to sneak back

FILM: Energised by his years in Hollywood, Ben Kingsley may return to Europe as a director. Interview by David Robinson

en Kingsley, currently filming in Washington, becomes quite emotional at the thought of exile from Britain. "I don't want to be exiled from the greatest language in the world. I don't want to be exiled from opportunities to do screenplays by Harold Pinter. The only real way in the world to speak and celebrate the English language, with its ironies and its culture, is to work in Britain. I don't want to be an exile, yet sadly it seems to me the way things are going just now."

Gandhi made him an interna-tional star in 1982; but by the end of the decade Kingsley's career in Britain had come to seem more and more rudderless. "In 1989 particularly I had a very unrewarding year in terms of the quality of work I was given. There were three pretty dodgy and disappointing experiences in a row — films I sincerely hoped would work out, but didn't. It wouldn't be

kind of me to name names." In less than 18 months in Hollywood, on the contrary, he has landed a succession of four plum roles. For his chilly study of criminal power, as Meyer Lansky in Barry Levinson's Bugsy, he received an Oscar nomination for best supporting actor.

In Sneakers, which opens this week in London, he plays a crazed computer genius who dreams of world domination.

on the strength of recognising that "It's not about who's got the most bullets, it's about who controls the information". The second film written and directed by Phil Alden Robinson (the first was Field of Dreams). Sneakers is 20th-century Jules Verne — a comedy thriller which uses state of the art technolnev as motive and background. Kingsley is part of an all-star ensemble: The poster is remarkuble - just a line-up of names in silver on white: Robert Redford, Dan Avkroyd, Sidney Poitier, River Phoenix . . .

Since Sneakers he has filmed Searching; for Bobby Fischer, the directorial debut of Steven Zaillian. a writer whose credits include Patrior Games! "Fischer doesn't actually figure in the film. My character is a teacher of chess, obsessed with the way that the great champion used to play. He is convinced that somewhere out there must be a new Bobby Fischer, and he thinks he has found him in the person of a little how, whom he sets out to teach every move that Fisher made.

The central dilemma of the film is what to do when you discover a child genius - how do you break it to the parents? Do you pursue the

training at the expense of his childhood? It is about the awful choice, whether you permit the child to disappear totally, or whether you are prepared to relinquish part of the greatness of the gift and say well you'll have a normal childhood, but you'll never be a champion'. The little boy is in real life an eight-yearold chess genius who also happens to be a rather good actor. It was a

happy shoot."
The day that Bill Clinton was elected. Ben Kingsley was himself being sworn in as president of the United States, for a scene in Ivan Reitman's Dave. "To avoid confusion," says Kingsley with only a trace of irony, "the scene was shot in Richmond, Virginia, rather than in Washington where most of the film is being made.

The film is about an ordinary little guy who happens to look just like the president, so the president

'I have learnt far more in the time spent working in Hollywood than I would have done waiting for projects in Europe'

> takes to using him to double on public occasions. The comic complications arise when the president dies suddenly, leaving this double in the presidential position. I play the vice-president, and the film will end with my swearing-in. I'm only in the last 15 minutes but it's a wonderful part.

The film reveals a different side of Ivan Reitman's comic talent much more satirical and sophisticated than the stuff he does for his er audience. My foie is actual ly played quite serious -- 1 am supposed to be one of the few honest men in the Senate - but it becomes funny because of the way it is placed

"So I can only comment with interest that my last four pictures have been made in America. I don't know what this means in terms of my career except that recently America has given me better chances. I suppose a craftsman should be able to take his work anywhere. In the Middle Ages if they needed windows for Chartres cathedral and the best window maker was in Venice, he would have to pick up his tool bag and his colours and go to France. because that was where his work would be celebrated.

"And I admit I am on a bit of a high. Something stimulating is

happening in America: directors are gathering their own creative groups, actors they like working with, the way Woody Allen has done for a long time. I have been very touched that both Steven Zaillian and Phil Robinson have told me. Every time I do a picture, I would like to send you the script and let you decide what part you would like to play. That is pretty overwhelming. It certainly makes it easier to swallow the bitter pill of exile."

He is emphatic, though, that the exile is not permanent. As a prominent member of the European Film Society, the group of directors and actors who activate the annual European Film Awards, he is not entirely pessimistic about Britain. "One of the best bits of news I heard was that Michael Caine is back in Britain and injecting a lot of energy into the film business there.

"I hope in the near future to return to Europe to make my own first film as director - a project which I have been nursing for a few years now. Above all, America has been wonderful preparation for this. I have learnt far more in the time spent working here than I would have done in Europe, waiting for projects that were on/off/on/off, dates changing, compromises, the sort of disappointing experi-ences I had in Britain latterly.

His European project is already taking practical shape. "We are setting up a European financial consortium with a little bit of additional money from America for distribution purposes. 1 hope to be directing the film within the next 12

What of the story? "I was as moved as others were by the story of the student in Tienanmen Square who took it upon himself to stand in front of the tanks when it was his turn to say no. And I have found a true incident that happened in Hitler's Germany in 1943, about a young woman who in a sense made that same gesture. My script traces her life up to the moment where, metaphorically speaking, she stands in front of the tanks. I hope that in focusing on one young woman and her choices it will express something of the agony of Europe in this past

"Anyway, this is my beacon of hope, both for Europe and for my own career. I want to carry on expanding and learning and gaining confidence in America. Then I want to return to Europe and say: This is the energy I've got from America - the enthusiasm and what I've learnt. Let's put it back



Ben Kingsley: "I suppose a craftsman should be able to take his work anywhere"

Last birdsong before the beyond

Mehta then still music director of the New York Philharmonic commissioned Olivier Messiaen to compose a work for the orchesira in celebration of its 150th season, now at its mid-point. The work grew in scope and length, occupying what proved to be the composer's last years. Entitled Eclairs sur lau-dela (Revelation of the Beyond) it was given its premicre in a series of perfor-mances conducted by Mehia. who was returning for his first appearance with the orchestra since stepping down as direcfor a year and a half ago.

Felairs is unquestionably Messiaen's most ambinous composition since the Turangalila-Symphonie, his other massive, evening-length orchestral work, which was written more than 40 years earlier. The new piece shares many

Olivier Messiaen's final orchestral work, a massive piece in 11 movements, has been premiered posthumously in New York

formal similarities with the Turangalila, and compariinevitable. Unfortunately, they are not to the new work's advantage. Where the Turangalila surges and crack-les with intensity, evolving in its own mysterious way toward a transcendental musical reality. Eclairs meanders, lacking

focus and energy.

The work is divided into 11 movements. Each of them carries quotations from the Bible, mostly from the Book of Revelation. In her detailed programme note, the composer's widow. Yvonne Lonod-Messiaen, writes of the piece: "Christ is constantly present in

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Messiaen: most ambitious score since Turangalila

these meditations, but we find also the heavenly bodies, the colours of the precious stones of the Celestial Jerusalem, and the birds."

Undoubtedly there are moments of luminous beauty in the piece. The sixth movement. "Abide in Love," for example. is an exquisitely tender hymn for strings. And there are some passages of astonishing virtuosity: at several key points these introduce aleatoric elements. That was something of a departure for

Yet, after one hearing at least, the work makes an incoherent impression. The French composer, writing in his eighties, seems to be reshuffling the best bits of a long and distinguished career, frequently quoting himself to no apparent end.

Birdsong is prominent, of

course. One movement consists of the constant repetition of the songs of 25 different birds, played by the woodwinds. But where once the composer used birdsong to create a unique sound world. shimmering with possibilities. now the listener is assaulted by the shapeless, irrational jabbering of the Sultan Tit and the Large Scimitar Babbler, among others. It is not quite enough to be told that the birds symbolise the souls of the chosen, singing in the Tree of Life: what once was visionary now seems merely wilful.

The Philharmonic, obviously very well rehearsed, negotiated the extraordinarily difficult score with nimble precision, although Mehta at moments seemed bewildered. conducting in a vague and irresolute fashion. Repeated listenings may reveal unsuspected depths in the work, but for now, Messiaen's final revelations from the beyond re-

JAMIE JAMES

RADIO: A fine Duchess of Malfi, and a consumer crusade

adio drama usually includes a good deal of noisy drinking and kissing: they provide good clinks and slurps to fill out the words. The Radio 3 production of Webster's The Duchess of Malfi (Sunday) was no exception, and the result was as ludierous as usual. Producers do not seem to realise that such obviously contrived sound-effects break up the atmosphere of a play rather

than enhance it. Yet, all told, this was an excellent production by Alison Hindell of what is too often dismissed as a mere horror play. Bernard Shaw called Webster the "Tussaud Laureate", Rupen Brooke said he portraved the "ghastly turmoil of a nest of maggots. The actors here showed that the main characters are much more interesting than that.

Bosola and the Duke Ferdinand, plotting the destruction of the Duke's twin sister, the widowed Duchess of Malfi. sounded rather like 007 talking things over with M at luncheon at Brooks's. No doubt it was much the same in a Calabrian palace. Roger Allam as Bosola even had a touch of Sean Connery in his voice - jeering, keeping some shred of dignity, as he succumbed to orders. Adrian Dunbar as Ferdinand ranged convincingly between the cool

lucidity of his same moments

Vices find and his murderous hysteria at

the idea of his sister marrying again - there was a hint of incestuous love, but no collapse into over-explanation. Fiona Shaw gave a very

good performance as the Duchess - brave and generous, but wilful and bossy too. Antonio, the steward whom she marries in secret (Putricl: Brennan), sounded wimpish and cowardly, but you understood why he stitted her. Her own courage when faced with her stranglers would. I thought, be very hard to convey with voice alone, but she pulled it off.

Minor vices are getting a good airing on Radio 2 this week, where every day on the 11.30am Charles Kennedy slot there is an episode called Fair Play. It is part of a "consumer crusade", warning people against dubious salesmen and helping them when they have been cheated.

I mention it because every day the programme includes a very funny sketch illustrating some piece of sales villainy. Mollie Sugden plays the victim in most of them, desperately straining to keep her selfpossession and general control of things, as plausible fellows try to double-glaze her speciades and goldfish bowl, or come to mend a slate and end up resurfacing her drive and the road outside as well. In one sketch she resumes her TV Are You Being Served? role and tries to persuade a customer not to return a gaudy suit with flashing lights on the lapels ("That satin bow, sir - if I may say so, gentlemen normally

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director's instruction: Just walk up to the gate and say. Where's the factory gone?" So Sir John Harvey-Jones walks up to the gate and says: "Where's the factory gone?", for all the world as if he no longer read the financial press and the disappearance of Tri-ang had come as a shock. The factory had not so much gone anywhere as been "razed", in Sir John's tautology, "to the ground .

Three years ago Sir John had been here for a marvellous BBC series called Trouble*shooter*, in which he gave advice to ailing companies. At the time, the Tri-ang factory had been "clapped out". Now it was rubble. Clearly, the company had failed to take Sir John's advice. He told them to modernisc, they didn't.

Now he was back, revisiting these old haunts as the opener to a new series, Troubleshooter 2 (BBC 2). He found the former chairman of Tri-ang the man who didn't take his advice, and they had a reunion. No hard feelings. Exchair is still in the toy business. but in a smaller way. He was happy though, which is the main thing.

Is it? Sir John feels you can be successful as well as happy. Of this, Sir John is the living proof. His bottom lines and his long cackle of a laugh are never far apan, they co-exist. one feels, in real life as they do on television. And the laughter is infectious: even the ex-boss of Tri-ang, having discovered that not even setting his lactor to foreigners could stop Sir John coming to see him three years later, had to laugh.

Others were happy successful. At Morgan Cars three years ago they put the lovely little things together so painstakingly that some customers had been on the waiting list for 12 years. Now. a thrilled dealer told Sir John. you could wait as little as six.

John's renewal of acquaintance with a family that made apple juice and ran a farm and a golf course. Three years ago he had advised them to sell the apple juice business, so they did. This proved to be a terrific move: it freed capital for the rest of their businesses. They were so grateful. They hugged Sir John. They kissed Sir John. He was pleased as

Then they told him: they were doing so well that they had just bought back the apple juice business. The one he ... er. yes. Sir John collapsed on to a bench with his hands over his face. They waited. He took his hands away. He was smiling. It was an incredulous smile, but he was smiling. It was all right And so is Troubleshooter 2, by the look of its opening bid.

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News must stay at peak time

Continued experiment and creativity

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optimism or suicidal pessi-mism. From January 1 on, ITV will be different. The question is, how different? Short of a catastrophic fall in ITV revenues, or legislation in the mid 1990s to finance BBC Television in whole or in part by advertising, it would be wrong to conclude that public service broadcasting will turn out to be the prerogative of the BBC. Such a conclusion ignores the lusty pres-ence of Channel 4 (and S4C in Wales) and the detailed programme requirements of the ITV companies' respec-

tive licences. There are down Programmes sides to ITV's position: from 1993 must appeal onwards, competition, especially beto a variety tween ITV and the satellite channels. of tastes will be even fiercer. Unlike the sateland interests

lites, ITV companies have to pay the Treasury corporation tax, a specified percentage of qualifying revenue (basically, advertising and sponsorship) and the amount of their cash bid, indexed annually. The ITV companies also

have to contend with the great difference in amounts that they will individually pay to the Treasury. This varies from about 2 per cent to more than 40 per cent of revenue. If revenues decrease, those percentages could increase. Should the ITV companies then

throw in the towel? Should the new networking team of Andrew Quinn and Marcus Plantin devote themselves to commissioning and scheduling audience-grabbing entertainment shows to the exclusion of virtually everything else, hoping that the Independent Television Commission will take no notice or take pity on them? Well, no. The release two days ago of ITV's 1993 winter schedule shows a confident if cautious start.

ITV has a high degree of audience loyalty - a weekly audience share of 43 to 44 per cent -and a more extensive and better resourced set of regional programmes than its competitors.

Mr Quinn has pointed out that in the last three months of 1992

omment on the future of ITV should avoid fatuous optimism or suicidal pession the BBC and Channel 4 combined.

In the last few weeks, ITV has pitched aggressively towards advertisers. In this preliminary period of muscle-flexing, a touching regard for programmes might be considered insufficiently macho. That is perhaps understandable, but it does not follow that news, current affairs, documentary and arts programmes should be shifted to the margins of the schedules.

News has particular guarantees built into the licences. There has to be a half-hour news programme in

peak time on weekdays and the ITC is not prepared to change its definition of peak time (6pm to 10.30 pm) to allow News At Ten to become News At Ten Thirty or News at Eleven. The minimum amounts of current

affairs, documentaries and arts programmes that must be shown is set out in the companies' licences.

The ITC's requirements are not, however, just a matter of adding up hours. ITV programmes must appeal to a wide variety of tastes and interests. They will not be met if peak time and the hours immediately adjacent to it are devoid, for example, of factual programmes other than news.

The retention of current affairs in peak time will not send ratings and revenue into terminal decline but will be a benefit. ITV needs to retain the broadest possible base of advertiser and has to move its demographic profile a little more up-market if it is to attract new categories of advertisers.

The idea that every programme should meet a revenue-generating target would hobble the network and deny experiment and creativity. The network would rapidly

The ultimate test for the new ITV network is whether it will retain the confidence of viewers. It will do so if it plays to ITV's existing strengths.

DAVID GLENCROSS ● The author is chief executive of the Independent Television Commission. Roy Greenslade is unimpressed by ITN's cosmetic changes but finds content still stronger than the BBC's

Sorry, I missed the point

s revolutions go, the change to ITN's nightly news is not so much bloodless as colourless. The first night, on Monday, showed so slight a difference that iewers could have been forgiven for hardly noticing.

Obviously the apostles of real revolution within the news operation have given way to reformists and the result of the much-heralded biggest revamp in 25 years for News at Ten amounts to a tame compromise.

The new music is like the old music; the new opening sequence lacks the dramatic pace of its predecessor; the high angle zoom over Big Ben is so much less sensible than the clockface shot. And, of course, the bongs remain.

Did Stewart Purvis, ITN's editorin-chief, host think-ins where revolutionaries and reformists earnestly debated the question: to bong or not to bong? Radicals obviously lost out to the conservatives over the bongs but the vanguard's most clear success is the decision to bring in The Single Presenter, known as The Anchorman.

Trevor McDonald, looking re markably similar to a man of the same name who has regularly appeared for years with a second news reader, carried out the job on Monday with his usual dispassionate professionalism.

Apart from being alone in a setting of deep blue (another conservative coup?) it was difficult to note any difference from the norm. There was a nod in the direction of American-style news presenta-

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viewed" one reporter from the studio, but putting only one stilted. question rendered the exercise

The other novelty was the launching of a special feature entitled Focus On Britain, introduced by Julia Somerville. It was an old story - about people failing to pay back mortgages — which included a superb revelation: a building society was using a debt collector to persuade people to pay back their money. Unfortunately, this arbitant money is a superback to the superback their money. this subject was skimmed over too quickly, and required a lengthier current affairs slot rather than a

However, by comparing News at Ten with BBC's Nine O'Clock News, certain strengths emerge which appear to have little to do with the changes. Though briefer, ITN's reports about President Mitterrand's criticism of the British delay on ratifying the Maastricht treaty and the collapse of the Iraqi arms trade trial were much dearer than their BBC counterparts.

ITN's coverage of the visit of Russia's President Yeltsin was more informative. News at Ten also appeared to score a victory over the BBC's in the day's main economic story on speculation on possible increases in National Insurance contributions.

The BBC's talk with a select committee chairman suggesting superseded by ITN's interview with Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury, which "effectively was a belief that only journalists ruled out" any increase. We must such as me would bother to

In depth? Julia Somerville introduced the News at Ten Focus on Britain for the first time on Monday

wait until the chancellor's Autumn Statement tomorrow to discover which side got this right.

What was surprising was that on this day the BBC chose not to field their latest stars of the Britain mission to explain: Peter Jay, the economics editor, and Robin Oakley, the new political editor. Both appeared instead after the news on Panorama. Perhaps it was confidence or arrogance. More likely, it compare both news programmes

Back with the ITN revolution it was impossible not to notice an early example of the growth of the cult of personality.

Mr McDonald introduced a

filmed item by saying: "Political editor Michael Brunson reports." Seconds into the film a rather tacky graphic informed us, in case we did not hear, that the big man talking was Michael Brunson, the political editor. At the end, Brunson signed

off by telling us he was none other than Michael Brunson.

Does three name references inside a minute and a half indicate preferred status within the ITN polithuro? If so, thrice-blessed Peter Sharp in Bosnia was obviously preferred to science editor Law rence McGinty and business conespondent Greg Wood, with only two. Surely with so few words available in a bulletin, these references are irrelevant. ITN revolutionaries, please note.

A grown-up boys' own adventure magazine hits the market

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The company behind the venture has stayed, the top-selling monthly rivals at least in advertising terms, with a circulation close to 800,000.

In Primaland, "O" is for origami, Focus is big on action. is Gruner & Jahr, a German publishing subsidiary of the £5.4 billion Bertelsmann Corporation, one of the world's top three media and communications groups. G&J created near-panic in the

women's magazine market six years ago when it transplanted its own Prima magazine to British

Within months of the launch, the magazine, with its home-oriented mix of recipes, non-threatening fashion and crafts, became, and

In re Arrows Ltd (No 4)

Before Mr Justice Vinelatt

[Judgment November 4]

The court had power to direct

liquidators of an insolvent com-

pany not to comply with a notice served by the Serious Fraud Office

requiring production of transcripts of examinations under section 236

of the Insolvency Act 1986, save

upon the SFO undertaking (i) not to use in evidence against that

person any statement by him

recorded in such transcripts except for the purposes mentioned in

section 2(8) of the Criminal Justice

Act 1987 and (ii) not to deliver

such transcripts to any other prosecuting authority without securing from that authority a

similar undertaking.

Mr Justice Vinelott so held in the

Chancery Division on an applica-tion for directions by Mr Nigel James Hamilton and Mr William

Scott Martin, joint liquidators of Arrows Ltd, in directing them not to produce to the SFO, without first

obtaining from it such undertakings, a copy of the transcript of the examination of Mr Muhammad

Naviede, pursuant to an order under section 236 of the 1986 Act

made by Mr Justice Hoffmann on October 29, 1991 Section 2(2) of the 1987 Act

enabled the SFO to require the person whose affairs were to be

investigated to attend and answer questions with respect to any matter relevant to the investiga-

tion. Section 2(14) made it-an offence either knowingly or reck-

blessly to make a statement in purported compliance with such a requirement, which was false or misleading in a material particular; and by section 2(8):

"A statement by a person in response to [such a requirement] may only be used in evidence against him (a) on a prosecution

not orgasm. But with men's general interest publishing still puny in comparison — Esquire's circulation is 66,000 for example - G & J might not have it so easy this time.

Although it is aiming for a ettled-down circulation of 100,000, a figure of 80,000 would be "respectable", according to the

company.
While Esquire and GQ, potential

From a four-page pullout on The Reign of the Dinosaurs to a sixpage feature on Lechuguilla, New Mexico, the "most exciting cave find this century". Focus Man has no time for New Man.

While Esquire readers are this month wrestling with regaining their confidence after being dumped by a lover, Focus readers want to know, via a question and answer section, why leaves change

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colour and fall off trees in the autumn and is there such a thing as a blue moon?

The answer is yes, but it's very rare. If I describe Focus as a magazine for 35-year-olds in metaphorical short trousers + I defy any grown man to admit to plastering his walls with pictures of dinosaurs — then G & J will not be altogether offended.

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> Mr John Jarvis, QC and Mr Ewan McQuater for the liq-uidators; Mr Matthew Collings for Mr Naviede: Mr Richard Ritchie for the Director of the SFO. MR JUSTICE VINELOTT said that Mr Ritchie had submitted that the SFO had an untrammelled right to require the production of, and to use, such evidence as might be contained in

the transcripts. That argument had been rejected when advanced before Mr Justice Hoffmann (11992) 2 WLR 923). Mr Collings argued: first, the transcripts were not "documents" within section 2(3); second, they

were subject to legal professional privilege, third, that the principle of public interest immunity As to the first, the word "document clearly covered the

On privilege, in Waugh v British Railways Board (1980) AC 521, 533), Lord Wilberforce said that unless the purpose of submission to a legal adviser in view of litigation was at least the dominant one for which the relevant docu-ment was prepared, privilege could

not apply to it.

The only difficulty in the case arose under public interest immunity. When an individual faced prosecution he was entitled to remain silent and so avoid cross-examination: see per Lord Mustill in R v SFO. Ex parte Smith (The Times June 16; [1992] 3 WLR 66, 74). That right had been invaded by section 2(2) of the 1987 Act, but the effect of immunity had been

preserved by section 2(8).

But that subsection would not

amended so as to substitute another date without fresh leave of

HIS LORDSHIP said that he

would not express an opinion on

whether an assessment made out

of time with leave could always be

Here the leave given by the special commissioner to the rev-

enue was leave to make an assess-

ment out of time by reference to the

accounting period to October 25, 1977 on the footing that it would

be open to Stipplechoice to show

that the true accounting period ended on some other date and

equally would be open to the revenue if persuaded that that

other date was the true accounting

period to revise the assessment before the appeal was heard.

revised without further leave.

a commissioner being obtained.

Revising tax assessment special commissioner that had held that the out-of-time assess-ment raised on Stipplechoice Ltd for an accounting period ending on October 25, 1977 could not be

Keisali (Inspector of Taxes) v

A corporation tax assessment made out of time with the leave of a special commissioner that referred to a specified accounting period could be revised without further leave under the provisions of section 247(8) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, now section 12(8) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. to show the true accounting period. Mr Justice Vinelott so held in the Chancery Division on October 23 when allowing an appeal by the Crown from a determination by a

Correction

in in re B (Minors: Abduction) (The Times November 6) the solicitors for the father were Pannone & Partners (formerly Pritchard Englefield & Tobin).

Mr Collings had accordingly urged that disclosure of the tran-scripts to the SFO should be subjected to a condition that the SFO would not deploy them as evidence in chief.

apply to answers given by the accused in an examination under section 236 of the Insolvency Act.

which could be put before a jury by

the prosecution as evidence in chief, whether he gave evidence or

Arguments advanced against requiring the SFO to give any undertaking were: 1 That to do so would be inconsistent with the parallel, clearly unprotected, regime under section 433 of the 1986 Act, coupled with rule 9.4(7) of the Insolvency Rules (SI 1986 No 1925); and

2 That the court should not fetter the SFO's use of its wide investigative powers. The former rested on a misconception: the question was not whether the answers given would be admissible, but whether the SFO would be entitled to adduce them in evidence otherw

subject to section 2(8) of the 1987.

As to the latter, that failed to meet the point. Lord Mustill in Exparte Smith had pointed out (at p84) that section 2(8) did not provide complete protection, since information obtained in answer to questions could lead to the disclosure of damaging facts which, once known, could be proved by other means. Thus to impose on the SFO a condition as to use made of the transcripts could not be said to

fetter its investigative powers.
Other matters, however, had given his Lordship more concern. By virtue of section 3(5) of the 1987 Act, information obtained by the SFO might be disclosed by any

range of other authorities for purposes which included any prosecution.

It had been urged that if information given to another prosecuting authority would not be subject to the restriction contained in section 2(8) it would be illogical to impose any fetter on the SFO's own use of those transcripts.

His Lordship thought that premiss unsound, and would construe section 2(8) as applying to the use by any authority of any statement made in response to a requirement imposed by section 2. Reliance had also be put on the

power of the trial judge under section 78 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 to refuse to admit evidence, having regard, inter alia, to the circum-stances in which it was obtained. on the ground that it would have an adverse effect on the fairness of

The answer was that when Parliament enacted the Act in 1987 it had clearly not regarded section 78 as sufficient to preserve the right of an accused person to refuse to give evidence or to submit o cross-examination.

In the result, his Lordship concluded that the liquidators ought not to make the transcript available to the SPO unless the SPO was willing to undertake that statements in it would not be used in evidence on the prosecution of Mr Naviede, save in the circumstances set out in paragraphs (a) or (b) of section 2(8), and that a similar undertaking should be exacted from any person to whom the transcripts might be disclosed under section 3(5) of the 1987 Act The SPO was granted leave to

Alsop Wilkinson; Treasury Solicitor.

Non-payment of court fine

Regina v Exeter City Magis-trate's Court, Ex parte Sugar When dealing with the nonpayment of a court fine, justices had not merely to consider whether another method of enforcing payment was an appropriate alternative to committal to prison under section 82 of the Magistrates' Court Act 1980; section 88 imposed an obligation to consider whether a supervision order would be appropriate.

The power to commit to prison was subject to paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 4 to the Act which stated that semences should give credit: for any part of the fine actually

Lord Justice Beldam and Mr. Justice Tudor Evans so held on

November 4 in the Queen's Bench
Divisional Court when allowing an application by Simone Amanda
Sugar for judicial review of a paid.

decision of Exeter City Justices committing her to prison for 14 days for the non-payment of a fine.

MR JUSTICE TUDOR EV-ANS said that while the justices had properly considered whether non-payment of the fine was due to the wilful refusal or culpable neglect of Mrs Sugar, and had considered all other methods of enforcing payment under section 82 of the 1980 Act, they had failed to take account of section 88.

The justices were obliged by section 88 to consider the suitability of ordering supervision of the

The length of a prison sentence was subject to paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 4 to the Act.



A new type of neighbour

Rock bottom prices have made it easier for some to buy in areas previously

beyond their reach. Rachel Kelly writes

esidents sharing a com-munal garden in North Kensington, west London — bankers and captains of industry included — are quietly furning. At the bottom of the garden, a large sign has been erected outside four white Victorian stucco houses announcing that the properties are being refurbished by a charitable housing trust for single

No one will speak out publicly, but in private residents confess that the scheme is not in keeping with the impression they wish to give to

dinner-party guests.

In the boom, residents could have comfortably predicted that their semi-prime patch of the borough would have gone on getting grander and grander. The recession has halted gentrification in its tracks.

If prices have fallen in the best areas, they have collapsed even further in areas not quite prime but still desirable, creating opportunities for a new generation of buyers. Those buying or refurbishing are now more likely to be housing associations than yuppies.

Savills estate agents has been charting the rise and fall of the London boroughs. Traditionally prime areas such as Knightsbridge, Belgravia, Chelsea, Regents Park, Mayfair and St James's retain their value in a recession, whereas their neighbouring boroughs — which in a boom were briefly blessed with prime status - have slipped down the scale. Fulham, Pimlico, Maida Vale and Wapping have all lost their prime crown and become much more accessible to a wider

"We've noticed a down-turn in prime property, but in more peripheral areas." Yolande Barnes, head of research at Savills, says. "Prices were much more inflated in

these areas than in core areas." Ms Barnes likens the property: boom to a wave: in the good times, it flooded over new areas, increasing prices and attracting a new dientele who could no longer afford their traditional stamping



Happy customer: Richard Everton outside his new studio flat in Wapping, London, which he bought at a much reduced price

grounds. Yet with the slump, the wave has receded, leaving pockets of patchy gentrification, often sur-rounded by houses in poor or deteriorating repair. It may take the next property boom to make the tidal mark stick.

Developers in particular are con-scious that housing associations have become large and powerful customers, who buy an increasing proportion of new houses up for sale. At a time when the rate of house sales to private buyers is half that of the late 1980s, the government has allocated £6 billion over three years for housing associa-tions. There are expected to be fewer than 100,000 private sales of new houses next year, against 50,000 new social homes. Yet two years ago, 200,000 private homes were sold against 20,000 new social homes

In London's Docklands, a market once dominated by "yuppies", a new breed of buyer is moving in tempted by falling prices. At Vogan's Mill. near Tower Bridge. prices have dropped by up to 50 per cent from 1988 levels. At New Crane Wharf, Heron Homes has also dropped prices by up to 50 per

cent and there are price falls too at Free Trade Wharf, Limehouse Basin, and Burrells Wharf.

Though agents report that their clientele is still overwhelmingly City professionals, there are opportunities for buyers such as Richard Everton, 22, who has bought a studio flat in New Crane Wharf for £59,950 through Savills. Three weeks ago it was on the market for £73,000. Mr Everton, an assistant video-tape recorder operator, had been renting in Bromley, south

Peter Demsey, from Black Horse Agencies Gascoigne-Pees in Weybridge, Surrey, has noticed a subtle switch in the buyers who can now afford to buy on the St George's Hill private residential estate. Once the preserve of rock stars, for the past 20 areas the area seduced British plutocrats, captains of industry, and property developers as well as the international rich. Now Mr Demsey notes the arrival of millionaires who have made their money on the back of the recession.

I ve got one client, for example. who has made a fortune in the sewing machine business," he says.

"In a recession, people start repairing their own clothes." Another nt has a shop-fitting business. As the turn-over of shops quickens with the recession, his business has been booming. "He's been into one specific retail outlet four times this year," Mr Demsey says.

evelopers are realising that it is time to market more affordable property in traditionally exclusive areas. Laing Homes, for example, have a development of one and two-bedroom flats in Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

"Our research showed a pent-up demand from people looking for this type of home who had been forced to stay in the family home due to the high cost of alternative suitable accommodation," says Paul Boys, from Laing Homes. In the past, the only option would have been five bedroom homes.

Robert Sturges and his girlfriend Alison Freedman have bought a two-bedroom flat, a tenminute walk from Henley bridge for £61,995. "We wanted to live in Henley, but it was so expensive to buy anything new before, and we

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wanted new. Now we can afford it." Those with money can now afford houses in areas once out of reach, or bigger and better houses in town. In the country, they can afford homes once denied them. William Gething, from Property Vision which advises buyers, imagines a north/south line running

across England.
"In 1983, that line ran through
Salisbury, Chippenham and Cirencester. The line moved westwards as the market rose - from Salisbury to Shaftesbury to Sherborne, and then from Sherborne to Yeovil and Taunton." Now the line has shifted back again. "During the heady days. Devon. Cornwall and East Anglia seemed like sensible places to live. They were fine in a bull market. Now you find it difficult to sell in those areas. The market has been shot through. Now two hours is seen as an

acceptable drive from London." Hampshire, Wiltshire and Gloucestershire have regained their prime position, leaving those who bought in the boom further out, somewhat marooned. They need another property boom to

IN THE MARKET

Out with offices, in with flats

History shows

that when the

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ateral thinking is helping property owners and agents to shift office space that seemed destined to remain empty for years. With about 30 million square feet of offices vacant in London, compared with about three million five years ago. this is no mean feat.

It has been achieved by owners who were prepared to switch business premises to residential use. Malcom Beckett, property analyst for Applied Property Re-search, a consultancy supplying information to property and construction industries, says: "Applications for change of use are increasing daily. We would like to see temporary consent on office buildings which have no chance of letting in this market, but might in five to seven years.

Empty buildings are a waste of resources and useless to the

community. It is far better to rent the space out to housing. In some areas, where it will be a very long time before office use returns, a permanent change to resi-dential might make more sense."

This is what has upwards first happened at Plantation Wharf, in Battersea, south-

west London. About 35,000 sq ft of office space in the development's centrepiece, the Trade Tower, has been turned into medium priced flats. Of the 53 flats recently put up for sale in the tower, three have sold at the asking price. Only two flats in the first phase of the development are unsold. In addition, 70 per cent of the commercial space in the development, which has a mixture of offices, flats and ateliers,

has been taken up. The developer Broadwell Land, which originally bought 17 acres of land in the area, went into administrative receivership in 1990. The receivers Arthur Andersen have pared down the land holding to four-and-a-half acres and made Trade Tower purely residential. When Broadwell Land went for planning consent in 1987, the tower was to be nine

ground to six and luxury apart-

ments on the other three floors. "Then the bottom fell out of the residential market in 1989", says residential market in 1989", says Gillie Spencer, Broadwell Land's sales and marketing manager, "so we approached the planners to turn all of the tower into offices. We started building in 1990 until the company went bust."

Arthur Andersen spent two months evaluating Plantation Wharf and decided to continue building the tower and near by Molasses House because they

were blighting the development. lain Watters, partner with Ar-thur Andersen, says: "We did rea-sonably well with the waterfront apartments, but whilst we were relatively successful at first with commercial tenancies, the number of ensuing insolvencies meant we made no headway. It seemed

convert the trade tower into flats. which there is a demand for, rather than more unlettable office space. So we went back to the planners who gave con-sent. The tower was only a shell, so the £2 million we spent fitting it out would have been

spent whether it be offices or flats. History shows that when the market turns, residential moves upwards first."

One of the advantages of the block having been tailor-built for offices is that the flats have high ceilings (9ft, extending to 12ft near the windows) and natural light from floor to ceiling windows. Five show flats have been designed by Sarah MacGinty. "It was one of my most enjoyable projects," she says. "In so many newly built flats you usually have no space to work with or to do

anything spectacular." The flats cost from £75,000 for one-bedroom to £195,000 for two-bedrooms. Penthouses range from £250,000 to £350,000.

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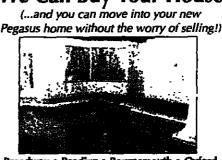
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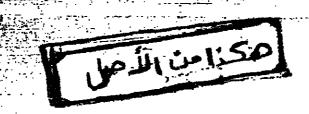
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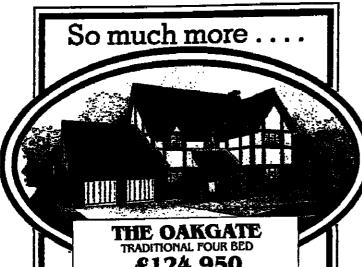
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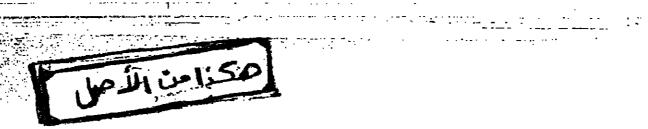
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Oswald calms waters by using his unifying initiative



The Olympic movement may have become a multi-million dollar business, but it still has its without gain for the genuine interest of sport. Denis Oswald, of Switzerland, is one of many beyond the investigative gaze of critics when they ttack Olympic leadership.

Oswald is the president of international rowing, and a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). With the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (Asoif) on the point of disintegrating into rival factions, his initiative has achieved a compromise that saves the federations from looking foolish, uniting them in the pursuit of a larger

nue. The guiding hand of Juan Antonio Samaranch may have been at work in the background of the extraordinary general meeting of Asoif here, but Oswald's has been the leadership that prevented

the federations splitting into

open, damaging dispute. Primo Nebiolo, the president of international athletics. who was due to retire as president of Asoif, is now almost certain to be retained as chairman next March, thanks to "adjustment" of the constitution bizarrely designed three years ago to ensure his retirement. Yet the wish of the small fry to ride on Nebiolo's coat tails is nothing more than pragmatism. "It is a good decision," Nebiolo said. rather grandiloquently,

David Miller reports from Acapulco on a

past week of discussions and repercussions

for the sports of the Olympic movement

Whatever Oswald's opinion of Nebiolo, and whatever the coincidental benefit there may be for rowing, these factors are irrelevant to the achievement. Nebiolo will now, if reelected as is effectively certain, be obliged to use his influence on behalf of all, helping to secure the financial independence of those sports which have little television coverage/revenue outside the Games; and he will also be responsible to a larger, rotating Asoif council, six instead four, also elected next

"Asoif has confirmed its unity," Oswald said yesterday, together with the essential role it intends to play in the Olympic movement in the interest of their sports and competitors. We were expected to be divisive and weak, instead we are strong and

If the up-side of compromise is the long-term benefit of the lesser sports, the alleged down-side, as viewed by the IOC's vociferous critics including some of their own number — is the controlling

Samaranch's expected reitrement in 1997: himself. Mario Vázquez Raña, from the National Olympic Com-mittees, and Nebiolo, from the federations. Yet the extent of their influence almost wholly depends on the wisdom, or otherwise, of Samaranch.

n the evidence of the Games of Secul and Barcelona, his input has been hugely successful. Having brought Raña and Nebiolo inside the corral. against the wishes of some IOC members, he is in a better position to guide, and limit, their ambitions: as with the forthcoming negotiations on competitor quotas/participation rights that have been left in Rana's hands. When

go, president of the African Olympic committees, was demanding an extreme 20 percent of guaranteed places for 183 nations last Thursday, it was Samaranch who leaned on him to accept a compro-mise the following day. The range of Samaranch's power continues to surprise.

The present Latin influence is no more extensive than that of Britain in the past, and if the British wish to regain some of that influence it is no use standing on the touchline shorting at the referee. Britain has to get back into the political ring and negotiate uninhibitively. The arrival of Craig Reedie may be the first step in the right direction. So why did Oswald set about pulling the rug from

under the feet of Reuben Acosta, the president of volleyhall, who was leading the opposition to Nebiolo? Acosta. who runs a successful and tight ship within his own sport, had little chance of succeeding Nebiolo, and his target was believed to be Oligario Vázquez Raña, president of shooting and an Asoil council member. The price of Acosta's resistence, requiring the extraordinary meeting.

was £60,000 in air fares.
"Any way of dividing the television income for the federations other than equally is bound to be unsatisfactory, Oswald says. "There is no means of finding a fair distribution. It is my duty to pay back the good times I had as a competitor at three Olympics for the coming generations.

Challenger's boxing pedigree flawed

Bowe's record puts Futch's bravado in new perspective

FROM SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT, LAS VEGAS

"FRIDAY 13th, anything can happen" the poster for the world heavyweight champion-ship bout here between Evander Holyfield and Riddick Bowe proclaims. But the number 13 holds no fears for Bowe, even if he is facing a champion unbeaten in 28

Thirteen is a number the New Yorker is familiar with. He was the last of 13 children. They were so poor that 13 of them slept in the same bed. At the age of 13 he saw a video of Muhammad Ali and dreamt of becoming world champion. "It made me want to be different to be special." Bowe

Bowe, now 25, is 6ft 5in, 235lb, and politically aware of the plight of the poor disenfranchised. He recalls his early days on the Brownsville housing estate. "There were so many of us in one bed," he said, "that all I could dream of was open spaces." If the first reality, the second certainly has. Bowe could not have found a wider and lonelier space than a boxing ring.

It says much for Bowe's determination that even after losing to Lennox Lewis in the Seoul Olympics, he still be-lieved he could lift the world title. Luckily for him Eddie Futch, at 81 still one of the world's greatest trainers, agreed to take him under his wing. "I had doubts about him," Futch said. "People said he had swallowed it against Lewis. People said he was unfocused and undisciplined But the more I got to know him the more I liked him. I saw that he needed guidance.

"In the end I found from the way he passed some tests I gave him, and the way that he cares for his mother, that he

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was dedicated really. He came from this 'den of iniquity', as his manager, Rock Newman, described the place where he was living, and yet I saw that he was clean. He didn't take drugs, or smoke, didn't drink and respected his mother. He went with her every night to see her safely to work and got up in the morning to see her

Bowe said: "I used to tell her every night that one day I would make enough money so that she would never have to moment of Bowe's life came a year ago when he went to the houseware factory where his mother worked and asked for

"She's worked so hard all her life. Now she's never going to have to work again," Bowe

Under Futch's guidance, Bowe has won all of his 31 professional contests, 27 of them inside the distance. Futch, who had trained four world heavyweight champions, apart from 14 other world champions, believes



Holyfield: unbeaten

that Bowe will be his fifth and best heavyweight champion: "I worked with him from the time he turned pro, something I haven't done with any other champion. So if he doesn't become heavyweight champion he can put as much of the blame on me as he likes."

None of Bowe's opponents has been of the highest quality, even though he has the usual quota of former world champions on his list of vic- Tony Tubbs (points) and Pinklon Thomas (9 rounds) - and a posse of willing trial horses.

In all his bouts, Bowe has done little to show that he can be world champion; rather he has raised several doubts about his heart, chin and

punching power.

Even if one accepts that his performance against Lewis was affected by a hand injury and the murder of his sister. Brenda, just before the Games, it is difficult to find a valid reason for his avoidance of Donovan "Razor" Ruddock when ordered by the World Boxing Council to meet the Canadian and going instead for the easier eliminator against Pierre Coetzer, of

Bowe's failure to break Coetzer in the manner that Frank Bruno did recently at Wembley raised serious doubts about his punching. But Futch remains solidly

South Africa.

behind his man, believing him to have the potential to be better than his own four heavyweight champions, Joe Frazier, Trevor Berbick, Larry Holmes and Michael Spinks. And Futch must be respected. "Let me put it this way," Futch said. "If he lives up to his potential, he could be better than all of them at their best. I really mean that."



Cheer man: Lockley, in the stand at Sutton Coldfield's ground, is always willing to listen to some sound advice

Sutton profit from Lockley's lead

By Walter Gammie

TONY Lockley is a wealthy man, having set up his own steel business at the age of 25. Yet when he took over as chairman of Sutton Coldfield Town last December, he was determined to satisfy his passion for football through his business skills and not by pouring in his own money.

"I have always been a believer that if you want something hard enough, and work hard enough, you can get it," Lockley said. "I wanted this club to be self-sufficient and get into the Vauxhall Conference. Should I leave Sutton, the last thing I want is for them to be worse off than when I joined."
As Sutton Coldfield prepare

for a trip to Bolton Wanderers in the first round of the FA

championship: First round: J Sánchez (Sp.) bt B Gilbert (LS), 4-8, 8-4, 6-4; R Krajicsk, (Holf) bt W Massur (As), 6-3, 4-8, 6-2, M Chang (LS) bt A Volsov (CS), 6-3, 6-7, 6-3; C Costa (Sp.) bt E Sanchez (Sp.) 6-3, 6-3, M Larsson (Swe) bt A Chasnolov (CS) 8-3, 6-4; G Connet (Can) bt H Holm (Swe) 6-4, 4-6, 4-2, P Kords (Cz) bt K Jones (LS) 6-4, 6-2, 7 Rijessen (Holf) bt M Westington (LS) 3-6, 7-6, 7-6.

FA CUP

Cup on Saturday, Lockley acknowledged "the strokes of luck" that helped him find "a Conference manager" and launch a Cup run that will net a £10,000 windfall. "It's kickstarted a lot of things on the fund-raising side," he said.

The team assembled by Chris Wright, the former manager of Stafford Rangers, had no sponsor. Sutton's being unbeaten in the Beazer Homes League Midland division meant nothing but their lining up in the first round of the Cup for only the second time loosened purse-strings at Cox Jerome, an accountant

firm in Walsall, who last week signed a £6.000 three-year shirt deal, as well as Patrick UK and Second City Homes. Sutton have a rare day out of the shadow of the Birmingham clubs. That

those sides draw potential support is clear because, with neither Aston Villa nor Birmingham City in action, their supporters' associations are sending coaches to Bol-ton. Wright believes "once people have seen us play, they'll want to come again".

Wright is certain they will see, in Matthew Carroll, 20, a gem, whom he believes will become the fifteenth player he will have sent on to league football clubs in a career in non-league management that took in Moor Green and Alvechurch before an 18month spell with Stafford.

The Sutton squad also includes Barry Cowdrill, a full back released by Bolton last season. Wright will be further armed with information on his opponents by Sammy Mcllroy, recently dismissed as manager of Northwich Victoria, whom Wright asked to run the rule over Bolton.

The gusto and good hum-our of Lockley and Wright are evident. Wright says the only way his team will keep Bolton out is to employ "Adam Whitehouse, one of my players who is a carpenter", to

board up our goals.

All joking aside, Wright would like his team to make him on Saturday "the most famous manager in Sutton Coldfield", relegating to the shadows for a day the town's most celebrated footballing resident, Graham Taylor.

Su'a turns tide in favour of N Zealand

CRICKET

Harare: The left-arm fast bowler, Murphy Su'a, took three wickets in seven balls to tilt the balance back in New Zealand's favour on the rainaffected third day of the second Test match against Zimbabwe here yesterday.

When bad light and then rain halted play for the day 32 minutes after hunch. Zimbatwe were 228 for six in reply to New Zealand's first innings 335. The first half of the morning went Zimbabwe's way. Pycroft and Houghton got their heads down in a stand of 74, with Pycroft registering his maiden Test lifty from 110 balls

But the acting New Zealand captain, Andrew Jones, took the second new ball after 76 overs and although Dion Nash, 20, probably bowled was his partner. Su'a, who turned the morning session on

He dismissed Pycroft for 60, Houghton for 21 and Brandes for nought to leave the home side in some disarray at 211 for six. Zimbabwe could have been in further trouble as second slip by Rutherford before he had scored during a spell by Su'a with the second new ball.

When the rain intervened. Su'a had returned the best figures in his Test career, four for 51 in 26.2 overs. (Agency)

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Test match will unite politicians

Durban: A remarkable diplomatic coup has been achieved by the United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) by securing acceptances from the republic's three most significant political parties to attend the first Test match here on Friday between South Africa and India (Richard Streeton writes). Three thousand doves Kingsmead ground before the game starts as a gesture of

dent, Krish Mackerdhuj.

International rules allow a "mix" of 12 amateur and six professional teams in the lineup, but the 1993 ratio is likely

on the tough stage from Birmingham to Llandudno, and again the next day when the leg from Wrexham to

has much of its sting towards the tail end as the race builds peace and friendship.

Chief Minister Mango-suthu Buthelezi, leader of the

Inkatha Freedom party, has made it known he is coming and African National Congress and Nationalist Party representatives will also be in the box of the UCBSA presi-It is an extraordinary triumph for cricket, remember-

ing that the Inkatha and ANC leaders have yet to meet around a table to try to stop the killings and other strife in Natal's rural areas. Buthelezi's presence will ensure that there will be no Zulu march on the ground.

Zulu warriors, in traditional costume, were among those who gave the Indian team a singing and dancing welcome on the airport tarmac when they arrived yesterday from Johannesburg. Afterwards the players travelled in open-top cars to their hotel and were given an especially noisy welcome as they passed through the Asian quarter. Durban has the largest Indian population

FOR THE RECORD

Lauridsen (Den) 1,055 5, P.E. Hover-Larsen (Den) 1,030, 8, L. Jun (Chira) 935 7, F. Permadi (Indo) 890, 8, J. Supnanto (Indo), 855 9, 2 Jiarheu (Chira) 840, 10, A. B. Kusunta (Indo) 830, Women: 1, Y. Zhaoying (Chira) 1,430pts. 2, L. Kaponng (Swe) 1,255 3, S. Kusumawardhani (Indo) 1,085, 4, S. Susanti (Indo) 1,010 5 T. Suhong (Chira) 1,940; 6, C. Magnusson (Swe) 915 7, Y. Santoso (Indo) 1,010 5 T. Suhong (Chira) 940; 6, C. Magnusson (Swe) 915 7, Y. Santoso (Indo) 8,000, 8,000 Hyun-bang (S. Kor) 800 9, H. Hus (Chira) 730, 10, Lise Haung-soon (S. Kor) 705

AMERICAN FOOTBALL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE: San Francisco 49ers 41, Alianta Falcons 3.

BASKETBALL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Chica-go Bulls 102, Indiana Pacars 97 NATWEST TROPHY: Preliminary round: Sundarland Saints 94, (N Hoppes 25, Nottage 19), Okthern 79 (Henderson 24, Memileid 19)

CRICKET VERWOERDBURG: Tour metch: Presidents xI 288 (W J Cronje 73) and 200 (Cronje 53, T A Lezent 52. J Sirreth 4 for 49), Indians 164 (B N Schutz 5 for 35) and 9-0 No play Monday, match drawn.

GOLF US LPGA TOUR: 1992 money-winners (all US). 1. D Mochrie 9893,335 (£450,000), 2, E King. 5551,269; 3. D Ammaccapane, 5513,699, 4. B Burnon. \$419,571; 5, P Sheetran, \$418,622, 6, M Mellon, \$400,052; 7, J Inisster, \$392,063; 8, N Lopez, \$382,128, 9, C Walter, \$368,600; 10, J Dickneon, \$351,559

MOTOR RALLYING

CATALONIA RALLY: Positions after 18 stages: 1, C Sertz (Sp). Toyota Catcla, 3hrs 34mm 55eec, 2, J Kariduaren (Fin), Lenca Deka) fran 25 behint; 3, A Aphre (B), Lance Deka, fran 58cec; 4, A Schwarz (Ger), Toyota Catcla, 3hri 17sec; 5, A Fiono (b), Lanca Deka 3mn 33sec. ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE: Montreal Carractions 5, Calgary Rames 2; Tampes Bay Lightning 5, New York Rangers 1; Toronto Maple Leafs 3, Ottawa Servators 1 **RUGBY UNION**

TOUR MATCH: Wakefield 54, Grounland (SA) 3.

ionship: Semi-final: C Small (Scor) bt P Lines (Eng), 6-4. A McMenus (Scor) bt J Birch (Eng), 6-2. Final: Small leads McManus, 6-1. Frante scores (Small first): 78-52, 102-0, 78-13, 0-93, 78-26, 131-0, 64-26

PHILADELPHIA: Women's tumerment:
First round: C Meanner (Spi) or N Herremen
(Fr), 6-4, 6-1: E Burgin (US) bt R White (US),
6-2, 6-2: A Coetzer (SA) bt S Stafford (US),
6-7, rel, E Broukhovers (Us) bt J
Herhenrybun (Can) 6-2, 6-0; L Raymond
(US) bt B Bowes (US) 6-1, 6-3. INDIANAPOLIS: Women's tournament: Pirst round: G Helgeson (US) bt ! Gorrochesegul (Arg.), 6-3, 6-3, H Kelest (Can) bt M Babel (Ger.), 6-3, 7-6; C Rubin

FOTURES

FOOTBALL 7 30 unless stated Coca-Cola Cup Third-round replay

Anglo-Italian Cup International stage Berningham v Ban (8.00) Portsmouth v Cesena (7.45) Lucchese v Newcastle (1.30)

Ascoli v Brentford (1.30) Group B

Scottish League Premier division Aberdeen v Motherwell ... B and Q Cup Herniton v Meadowbank ... DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Chesham v Bognor (7.45)

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Colwyn Bay v Droyleden SCOTTISH PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE: Cetic v Dunder Utd. Hearts v Benier. LEAGUE Cede v Dundes Und. Hearts v Parick.
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ALLERICHT BITTER WELSH CUP: Third-round replay: Mold v Lignspriffrad.
PONTRIS LEAGUE: First division (7,00): Leads v Botton: Sunderland v Soles; Wokenhampton v Man City. First division; Bizologool v Huddersfield: Burnley v Hull (7,15): Port Valse v Gichem.
NEVILLE: OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Bighton v Crystal Palace (7,15): Charlion v Misked (7,00), Fulham v Warford (2,00); Orderd Und v OPFt: Swandon v Asseral: First division: Birston Rovers v Torquay; Cardiff v Exeler (2,00), Yeovil v Swanson (7,45).
BUJGBY UNION

Tour match Neath v Australians RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Leigh v SI Helens. OTHER SPORT BASKETBALL: European chempionship semi-finel: England v Russia (G-Mex Centre, Marichester, 7.30). TENNIS: 1.7A women's challenger

RUGBY UNION

WITA: Money-winners: 1, M Seles (hug), \$1,872,352 (£1,215,000); 2, \$ Gezi (Gez), \$1,277,130; 3, A Sénchez Vicarlo (So), \$1,119,005; 4, G Selezann (Arg), \$887,055; 5, N Zvereve (CS), \$570,994; 6, M Newtation, (US), \$549,433; 7, M J Fernendez (US), \$544,08, 8, J Novotras (Cz), \$437,184; 9, G Fernendez (US), \$369,602.

SCHOOLS MATCH: Wellington (W Sewrey-Cookson and T Newman) bi Eton (H Dingle and E Lees), 15-3, 15-10, 15-1, 15-2

Cookson and T Newman) bi Euch (H Dingle and E Lees), 15-3, 15-10, 15-11, 15-2.

NOEL BRUCE CUP. Dualitying round: Harrow V (C Danby and A De Codene) is Whatester II S Harlord and N Hall) 15-4, 11-15, 7-15, 17-14, 15-7, 15-10, Cilhon I S Burns-Cox and K Gook) at Herrow III (F Indial and J Fricker) 16-4, 16-7, 15-10, 10-15, 9-15, 15-8, Halleybury II (A Stahl and J Tokson) 16-16, 15-9, 15-18, 15-8, 15-8, 15-9, 15-12, 15-10, 10-15, 9-15, 15-8, 15-8, 15-9, 15-2, 15-10, 10-15, 9-15, 15-8, 15-8, 15-9, 15-2, 15-2, 15-2, 15-2, 15-2, 15-3, 15-15, 15-16, 15-2, 15-2, 15-3, 15-16, 15-2, 15-3, 15-16, 15-2, 15-3, 15-16, 15-3, 15-17, American and Vanteri 15-7, 15-10, 11-10, 15-5 Main competition: Markorough 1 (A Robinson and G Barker) bit Heavisury (MgMrt and Ceness) 15-5, 16-10, 15-1, 15-1, 15-10, 15

VOLLEYBALL

Milk Race prize list set to grow again

CYCLING

By PETER BRYAN Tunbridge Wells on May 30,

THE Milk Race, one of the world's richest events for, predominantly, amateur national teams, will return next year to the sponsorship of the Milk Marketing Board after ten years under the banner of the National Dairy Council. This year the prize list was worth a record £78,000. "In

1993 we are expecting it to be even higher," the organiser. Brian Elliott, said yesterday when announcing next year's 1,150-mile route. But beyond 1993 there are no firm plans for the future of

the race and Elliott admitted that he was "still looking for a suitable partner", adding that "this great race must not be allowed to die". He denied suggestions that

talks had taken place with Kellogg's, whose Tour of Britain contract also ends next The route, which starts in

May 30: Royal Turbridge Wells prologue time trial. 31: Circuit of Kent towns. Jurne 1: Eastbourne to Portsmouth. 2: Thames Ditton to Welwyn. Garden Cay. 3: Luton to Bury St Edmunds. 4: Cambridge to Million Keynes. 5: Stratford-upon-Avon to Leosster. 6: Circuit of Great Malvern. 7: Rest day. 8: Birmingham to Liendudno. 9: Weldham to Rotherham. 10: Shelfied to Liverpool. 11: Liverpool. to. Settord Quays. 12: Manchester City circuit.

up to a city-centre finish in Manchester on June 12 as part of its link with the Manchester 2000 Olympic Surprisingly, the organisers do not plan to include the provisional Olympic road-race circuit, if Manchester's bid —

due to be determined next September — is successful. The first overseas invitations will be made next month, with the United States. Australia and East European countries among the first to be approached.

Two Great Britain squads will be among the 18 six-man teams, and Ireland, whose Connor Henry won the race this year, will be making a return v<u>isit</u>

to be 15-3, with the possibility of only one British professional squad competing.

There is a relatively flat start to next year's race, with the climbers getting their chance

Rotherham crosses the Peak

Barton Bank to confirm promise

BARTON Bank, following that easy victory on his chasing debut at Worcester last month, can make a successful return to the same track today. From David Nicholson's inform stable. Barton Bank is my choice to win the grade two Worcester Novices'

Chase, the day's most valuable Last season, Barton Bank took quite a high rank over hurdles after he had beaten his better-fancied stable companion, Bishops Island, to win the Heidsieck Dry Monopole Novices Hurdle at Aintree's

Grand National meeting. At the time, his trainer said that whatever he achieved hurdling was a bonus because

MANDARIN

Zeale

1.10 Russell Dalus.

2.40 Shamana. 3.10 KAYTAK (nap).

4.10 Le Pelley's Isle.

RICHARD EVANS: 2.40 Shamana.

1,40 Whispering Steel 2,10 Emily's Star.

On his seasonal reappearance, Barton Bank excelled by beating Forest Sun, his superior over hurdles, by 12 lengths in the Fred Rimell Memorial Novices Chase.

Because that race was of inconsequential value, Barton Bank now goes unpenalised. The same applies to Young Hustler, trained by Nigel Twiston-Davies, who sent out Captain Dibble to win this same race 12 months ago.

Young Hustler has won two of his four races over fences this season. While he did fall on his last visit to Worcester. he has since jumped successfully around Cheltenham.

He must be considered, but was rated a stone inferior to Barton Bank over hurdles.

1.70 BIRCHFIELD NOVICES HURDLE (£1,632: 2m) (13 runners)

51 CAPTAN TANCRED 49 (D.5) (A Pesson J Bitret 4-11-6. D Barry (7) 94
169-1 HURDY 12 (D.6) (I Henson) J Hasson 5-11-8. M Dayer ES
6-P AURORA LAD 12 (D Leve) Mrs S Shish 5-11-6. J Callegian R
8 BEAUCHARP EXPRESS 6 (F Parest) 0 Sharwood 5-11-0 J Osborne
66-S BECK COTTAGE 11 (S Masch) 8 Febor 4-11-0 J Osborne
66-S BECK COTTAGE 11 (S Masch) 8 Febor 4-11-0 B McCourt 0 CASHTAL DAZZLER 19F (B Yord) N Taider 5-11-0 B McCourt 0 EDENGEM 33 (T Barres) M Barres 4-11-0 B Storrey
023-MOZEMO 284 (Color Intel Company Led) A Bailey 5-11-0 P White (7) REMOUSIC 29F (J Seventon) B Cambridge 4-11-0 Mr J Carabidge 2 RUSSELL DALIS 182 (Watership Dona Racing) S Stermoof 5-11-0 M Richards 0 TOUR EFFEL 21 (M Amplage) R Amplage 5-11-0 Mr M Amplage HARAKA SASA (Mrs P Aldressy) J Wabber 4-10-9 M Lyoch 0 MISS MAC 13 (M Townson) E Adeto 5-10-9 Mr Color Tanced
- B Mutty, 7-2 Bussell Dates, 4-11 Reactanne Errores 2-11 Carbon Davier (13-1) Canada Tanced
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BETTING: 13-8 Hurdy, 7-2 Russell Dates, 4-1 Beauchamp Express, 7-1 Castral Dazzier, 10-1 Captain Teneral 16-1 Mozemo, Tour Ettel, 25-1 others.

1991: BOLLIM PATRICK 6-11-0 R Gamby (5-1) M H Easterby 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

CAPTAIN TANCRED best Playing Trusmi 1: in a 14-mover novice hundle at Southwell (Zm., good to soft). HURDY best Chuck Curley 3: in a 12-mover novice hundle at Westersty (Zm., good). BEAU-CHAMP EXPRESS, a sznari stayer on the Flat, refused to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good). Issued to race on debut at Exeter (Zm. 2), good).

SETTING: 11-8 Arthur's Minstell, 9-4 Whispering Steel, 9-2 Andres Prince, 6-1 South Hervest, 12-1 others.

1991: REAL CLASS 8-11-2 N Daugity (11-4) G Richards 5 can FORM FOCUS

JOHSTRO best Tompet 201 to a 9-numer novers chase at Hantengton (3m, good).

ANDROS PRINCE's better of two efforts this sea201 came when 5 2 and of 9 to Tempet in a novice chase at Stationd (3m, good). SUITH HARVEST 2215 in of 16 to Winnie The Winnie

SETTING: 7-4 Enery's Star, 5-2 Fam Price, 5-1 Paperwork Boy, 7-1 Lapadia, 10-1 Vado Via, 12-1 Staligence Place, 3-1 paperwork Boy, 7-1 Lapadia, 10-1 Vado Via, 12-1 Staligence Place, 30-1 paper. 1991: DODGER DICKINS 4-9-7 S Wynne (7-2) R Hollinsheed 7 am

FORM FOCUS

2.10 ARK CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE

Long harmicap Scottish Gold 9-10, Vado Via 9-7, Vale Di Secrety 9-8, Oriei Dream 9-2.

(£1,590: 2m 7f 110yd) (10 runners)

1.40 BOLTON NOVICES CHASE (£3,201: 3m) (8 runners)

THUNDERER

1.10 Hurdy.

1.40 Arthur's Minstrel,

3.10 Kaytak, 3.40 Fair Prospect. 4.10 Battle Standard.

2.10 Emily's Star.

2.40 Shamana.

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Now they are meeting on weight-for-age terms.

While it will be informative to see how Superior Finish fares following a promising start at Newton Abbot, I am more interested in Josh Gifford's French Charmer, a half-brother to Sparkling Flame, who excelled in his first season over fences two years

Black Humour, runner-up to the subsequent Uttoxeter winner Cherrykino on his seasonal debut here last month, is now taken to go one better by landing the Glynwed Handicap Chase, while the Rayburn Supreme National Hunt Novices' Hurdle looks ripe for Anna Valley, who was numer-up to the unbeaten Highland Spirit at Exeter last

At Haydock, Nicholson can also hit the bull's eye with Shamana in the Gamekeepers Handicap Chase.

Shamana was still in with a good chance of winning the Arkle Challenge Trophy at the Cheltenham festival last season, but she came down two fences from home.

Now, following an adequate first run of this season behind Lumberjack at Stratford, she is taken to take advantage of the weight she receives from MoMetal, the winner of this race last year.

Today's nap though is Kaytak, one of two runners that John Jenkins has in the field for the Warrington Handicap Hurdle. Atlaal, his other, was beaten

35 lengths first time out in a race won by Jinxy Jack. In contrast, Kaytak went down by only two-and-a-half lengths to Mighty Mogul on his seasonal debut at

Newbury. With Mighty Mogul then winning the Tote Silver Trophy very comfortably at Chepstow last Saturday, Kaytak's initial run must now be seen in a more favourable

Trainers put their trust

in new board

A THREATENED strike was averted yesterday as trainers agreed to channel their concern at the state of racing through the new British Horseracing Board (BHB).

A number of top handlers, including John Gosden and Michael Stoute, attended an extraordinary meeting of the National Trainers' Federation Council (NTF) in London to register their disquiet.

The meeting to discuss the underfunding of the industry was called after the trainers had held an informal gathering in Newmarket two weeks ago during the October sales when strike action was proposed.

But a statement released afterwards stressed that the NTF is looking to the BHB to address its problems.

It said: "After full and frank discussion it was agreed that the NTF would put its full support behind the new BHB to secure the best deal for racing and an adequate return for its product.

"The council decided that it should establish a list of priorities which it felt should be addressed by the BHB as a matter of urgency. These would of course be channelled through the industry committee so that it had the full support of all sectors in the racing industry."

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Fontwell Park FORTWELL Park
Going: good to soft (soft patches)
1.10 (2m of hide) 1. Society Bell (G
McCourt, 6-4 tav, Richard Evene' nap); 2.
Powersunge (10-3); 3. Joker Jack (12-1) 12
ran. 101, 71. N Tunker Tote: 22-40; 21-30,
21.50, 23.30. DF: 22.50. CSF: 27-94
Bought in 4,800gns.
1.40 (2m 2f ch 1. Massier Comady (N
Williamson. 12-1); 2. Popeswood (7-2); 3,
Touching Ster (5-2). Mad Cassanova 11-8
fav. 8 ran. 5, 30. Miss L Bower, Tote.
216.00; 23.40, 21.30. DF. 522.70. CSF:
247-97
2.10 (2m 2f hide) 1, Myhamet (Peter

E16:00; £3.40, £1.30. DF. £22.70. CST: £47.97
2.10 (2m 2f hdls) 1, Myhamat (Peter Hobbs, 4-1), 2, Glebelands Gri (6-1); 3, Careless Kiss (9-2), Victory Anthem 3-1 tax. 11 ran, NF. Arta Un. 101, 81. P Hobbs Tote: £8.40; £1.40, £2.10, £2.20. DF: £14.20 CSF: £28.12. Tricess; £105.94. 2.40 (2m 2f hdle); 1, Castle Courageous (EMurphy, 11-8 fay); 2, Esprit de Fernme (15-2); 3, Duke of Aprolan (33-1), 16 ran, 4, 2, Lady Herries, Tote: £2.50; £1 50, £2.20. £5.30. DF: £5.90. CSF: £13.11 3, 10 (3m 2f 110)yd ch) 1, Cythere (P Hdle, 7-2); 2, Father Dowling (4-5 fax); 3, Mr Gee (33-1), 9 ran, NR Dom Keydrop, 5t, dist. J Gifford, Tote: £3.80; £1.30, £1.40, £2.70. DF: £3.60 CSF: £3.80; £1.30, £1.40, £2.70. DF: £3.60 CSF: £3.80; £1.30, £1.41, £2.70. DF: £3.60 CSF: £3.80; £1.30, £1.41, £3.00. DF: £3.60.0. CSF: £38.96 Tricast £254.01 Pacepot £38.10.

Sedgefield Going: good (good to soft patches)
12:30 (2m 51 110yd hdie) 1. Dancing Days
(N Smith, 14-1), 2. in Deep Water (9-2); 3, int
Elit (12-1), Whiter Lightning 4-5 lav 11 ran.
Sh fnd, 6L J Parkes, Tote, 528.10; 54.20,
51.20, 52.90 DF, 515.90, CSF- 675.95, No

E1.20, E2.90 DF. E15.90, CSF- E75.95, No bid.
1.00 (2m 11 ch) 1, Logarnimo (A Orkney, 2-1 lav); 2, Maudins Cross (7-2); 3, Frozen Minstrel (10-1), 7 ran 101, 201, 31 Helsens, Tole, E3.40; (2.00, E2.10 DF: E4.10, CSF: £3.34
1.30 (2m 11 110yd ndie) 1, Mr Reiner (D Ryen, 12-1), 2, Sovereign Niche (11-10 lav); 3, Dutch Blues (25-1), 12 ran, 12, 394, 3 Wade, Tote: £8.00; £1.90, £1.30, £5.40, DF £13.30 (SF £25.80 Teopast £337.81; 2.00 (2m 5f ch) 1, Bonartza (R Hodge, Evens fav), 2, Vaynus (13-8); 3, Lady Remainder (10-1), 9 ran, Ni, 15, Mirs G Reveley, Tote, £2.00; £1.40, £1.30, £1.60, DF £2.60, CSF £2.82
2.30 (3m 3f ch) 1, Boreen Owen (James 2.30) (3m 3f ch) 1, Boreen (James 2.30) (3m 3f ch) 1, Bo Liff £2.50, CSF £2.82 2.30 (Sm 31 ch) 1, Boreen Owen (James Jones, 1,1-2); 2, Mister Moody (2-1); 3, Bow Handy Man (7-2) Whelen Hall 7-4 tav. 5 ran. NFt Säver Hallo. 4(, 12); J. J. O'Neal. Totas: £7.20; £2.40, £1.40, DF: £14.40, CSF. £15.71.

\$15.71.
3.00 (2m 1/ 110)(d hote) 1, Only A Rose (D Wildrison, 7-1); 2 Gavelo (5-1), 3, Brambles Way (14-1), Spit Second 6-4 lav. 13 ran. 3/sl. 25!. C Phomton. Tote: 59 70; 23.00, \$1.40, £3.40, DF: £34.50. CSF £51.30
3.30 (2m 6/ 110)(d hote) 1, Sillare Stalker (A Maguire, 2-5 fav. Mandashin's respi. 2, No Sci. No Stars (11-2), 3, Troodos (5-1), 3 ran. 2/sl. hd, Mrs. J. Rameden Tote. £1.20. DF. £1.30. CSF £2.37.
Placepot: £64.40.

Southwell

Going standard
12.50 (86 1, Pretente (T Williams, 10-1), 2, African Chimes (64 Lav); 3, Debsy Do (6-1), 9 ran. 5h hd. 17.4 M Johnston. Tote: 29.80; 22.70, 51.30, 82.10, DF; 51.50. CSF. 22.52.27
1.20 (71), 1, Master Stocieli (A Gerth, 10-1), 2, Connec's Legend (9-1); 3, Splash Of Salt (9-4 lav), 11 ran. NR: Honey Juice, 4(1, 5) R Hollinshead, Tote. 212.50; 82.70, 83.00, 81.70, DF; 290.77 CSF: 290.27. Theast: 2551.51.
1.50 (1m 4t) 1, Noted Strain (D Holland, 9-1), 2, Mr Washing Well (10-1), 3, Baltzno (11-1). Temporing, 7-2, 1-4v. 15 ran. 14, 3, P Maldn Tote: 59.20, 52.00, 53.70, 84.20, DF; 52.10 CSF; 594.01.
2.20 (1m) 1, Creselly (M Birch, 7-1); 2, Abboy Strand (10-1), 3, Military Expert (7-1); 4, Good for The Rosse (3-1 lav), 16 fran. 3, 234. Jimmy Fitogerald Tote: 28.50; £1.80, 20.0, £1.70, £1.90. DF; 23.00, £1.70, £1.90. DF; 23.00, £1.70, £1.90. DF; 24.50; £1.70, £2.00, £1.70, £1.90. DF; 24.50; £1.70, £2.00, £1.70, DF; 24.50; £1.70, £2.00, £1.70, DF; 24.50; £1.70, £2.20, £1.70, £1.90. DF; 25.20, £1.70, £2.20, £1.70, £2.50, £1.70, £2.20, £1.70, £1.90. DF; £1.450. CSF; £1.70, £2.20, £1.70, £1.90. DF; £1.450. CSF; £1.70, £2.20, £1.70

party for sociable champion

iar. You wake know-I ing that something good has gone and you come down to just the bottles, the dirty glasses and the

It was a little like that for Richard Hannon yesterday, the morning after his seasonlong party as Flat racing's new and improbable No I trainer.

Routine is hard to break, though, and Hannon went through the motions, splashing between his two yards in his Land Rover and bumping onto the gallops to watch a

He felt in his pocket with a frown, pulled out his mobile phone and shook it suspiciously. Then, a smile breaking through the granite features, he chuckled: "Season must be over, the bloody thing hasn't rung once,"

It ended on Monday, when Hannon's 1,107th and last runner brought his 147th winner. Folkestone was the venue, a muddy, downbeat finale, but Hannon was there as usual Unlike many an elitist

trainer, Hannon actively enjoys going racing — but then Hannon is unlike his peers in so many ways.

Not for him the easy privileges of property and breeding, the passport to train for the rich and titled. Hannon has reached the top through risk, hustle and graft. He is the honest broker for the ordinary racing man, living proof that the game does not depend entirely on old money and Arab wealth.

At 47, with a wife and six children, his lifestyle is good but never flash and he remains, in high times as in low, the sort of man about whom it is hard to hear an unpleasant word.

His latest and largest risk was to buy his second yard. two years ago, with £1.3 million he did not have. "I had to put up the house and main yard against it," he explained. "I needed two good years or I could have lost the lot. All my life I have taken risks to grow bigger."

Alan Lee finds Richard Hannon in

celebratory mood after lifting

his first trainers' title on the Flat

Hannon has been training for 22 years since taking over from his father, and he has cracked the secret of the existence — he doesn't worry about it.

Memories of a season-long

"I have the odd day which gets me down for a bit, but I never take it home and I don't lose sleep worrying how much money I owe. I reckon I could always start again if the worst happened, so I think about tomorrow instead.*

This past season, almost every tomorrow contained enough to clutter the mind.

annon sent out more runners than more runners train his two closest pursuers in the trainers' table, Michael Stoute and Clive Brittain, put together. Luca Cumani, who trains even more than Hannon's 170 horses, had 815 fewer

But all these rivals train in Newmarket for a predomi-nantly Arab ownership. Hannon does not have a

single borse for the Maktoums or Khaled Abdulla, nor is there any sign of him getting one, and the tiny Wiltshire village of Everleigh is far removed from Newmarket in training styles as well as miles.

Up on the gallops, which he rents from the ministry of defence and has to vacate by 9am each day to make way for tanks and helicopters, Hannon does things his own way. "I don't work my horses against each other just to find out which is which. I get them fit and then I take them

racing, because that is what

my owners want and that is

what pays the bills." "No one owner has more than 20 in the yard and the runners take a lot of organising but I have a brilliant team. My job is just

to train the horses." Not quite, of course. He also finds the owners by what he calls "putting myself about" and then tries to satisfy them with the right

Currently, he is selling a new syndicate in which £10,000 buys a one-tenth share of four yearlings. "We've five shares left," said salesman Hannon. "Fancy a

crack?" It is because Hannon sells and serves with a smile that the owners keep coming in such bad times, and it is because he has that intangible gift of producing the right horse fit for the right

race that they stay and multiply. Hannon loves ev-Even in his youth, playing drums with The Troggs, he knew it would be racing and not rock music which detained him, and now he

cannot imagine doing anything else. The champion will not

rest. There will be a holiday in the Caribbean, come January, but before that there are 90 yearlings to get to know. The racing does not stop, either. I left him pondering a hurdle race at Towcester and Saturday's all-weather Flat card at Lingfield.

Ordinary races for ordinary people, maybe, but this

2.50 STOUR APPRENTICE HANDICAP LINGFIELD PARK

MANDARIN 12.50 Common Councii. 1.20 Aragrove. 1.50 Selly's Son. 2.20 Khrisma. 2.50 Dime Bag. 3.20 Indian Endeavour. 3.50 Boy Martin.

12.50 Common Council, 1.20 Pipers Reel, 1.50 Sally's Son. 2.20 Cormorant Bey. 2.50 DIME BAG (nap), 3.20 Little Saboteur, 3.50 Colossus.

GOING: STANDARD DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW TO MIDDLE NUMBERS BEST

12.50 medway claiming stakes (UIV I: £2,385: 1m) (11 runners)

1 3230 COMMON COUNCIL 182 (CD,F) & Pritzferd-Gordon 3-9-0 1 3200 CUSMARUM CULMICIL 102 (CD.F) & Pritcherd-Bordon 3-9-0
2 2336 TRIAL TIMES 125 W O'Borman 3-9-0. Empire 0'Formans 3
3 350- OSBATTERPE 29J (89 M Usher 5-8-9. T Osbar 11
4 3420 DANCING SEAU 77 (F.G) Mrs. L. Progent 3-8-6. J Reid 9
5 00 BREIGE STREET BOY 121 J Boshy 3-8-1. A Marmo 7
8 4006 SHARP DANCE 30 B Sorart 3-8-1. Date Gloson 8
7 4200 CHANCE REPORT 22 (P. F. Lee 4-8-0. R Layon 2
8 0056 CRETOES DANCER 19J (8) W Mult 3-8-0. F Norton (3) 5
9 2060 LORD, LETTINM 22J N Callegian 3-8-8. T Williams 1
1 5030 FLEASE PLEASE ME 25J K Carmrofham-Brown 4-7-12
N Adams 4 N Adams 4 11 0 STING IN THE TAIL 19J (B) P Hedger 3-7-11..... G Bardwe[®] 6 5-2 Common Council, 100-36 Cretoes Dencey, 7-2 Trigi Times, 13-2 Dencing Beau, 10-1 Lord Leitzim, 12-1 Sterp Dencey, 16-1 Others.

1.20 WYE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,385: 6f) (9) 1 0043 ARABRONE 3 L Holl 9-0 J. Reid 1
2 50 BRODKLANDS BOPRESS 15 J Bertell 9-0 J. T Outen 4
3 955 GOPRODENKA BOY 144 Mes J Jonden 9-0 Kim McDoncek (7) 4
4 0 LAD BRACK BOY 8 P Patricy 9-0 Kim McDoncek (7) 4
5 MELICS MODUS (E) Mes L Piggott 9-0 J. Williams 5
6 30 PPSIS REEL 35 Lard Hardegron 8-9 A Marco 8
7 3000 STEVENS DREAM 37 J Whate 8-9 Date Gloson 7
8 25 THE ORDINARY BRH. 44 (BB) T Casey 8-9 J. Date Gloson 7
9 05 WESTERN VALLEY 50 K Comingtom-Brown 8-9 D Holland 9 5-2 Aragmen, 3-1 Pipers Real, 7-2 Hestern Valley, 6-1 Melos Modus, 18-1 The Ordinary Etd, 16-1 Brooklands Express, 25-1 others

1.50 MEDWAY CLAIMING STAKES (Div II: £2,385; 1m) (10) (LIV II: 22,303: IIII) (10)

1 1224 MINE'S GLEST 23 (D.S) 6 Prichard-Gordon 3-9-0 ... N Day 1
2 3411 SUPER SUMMIT 74 (D.E.S) J Pearce 3-9-0 ... 6 Bardward 6
3 00/0 LOSY MOMENT 37 H Cyllingridge 9-4-12 ... 9 Smith 10
4 0000 CAPTANIA MARNALADIE 4 0 Thom 3-8-8 ... J Westerns 3
5 0503 SALLYS SON 16 62.1 W O'Somman 6-9-7 Emitte O'Gornton (3) 7
5 3000 LADY SARD 18 (F) 6 Lives 3-8-1 ... D Harrison (3) 4
7 BARDN SOLEMACKER J Scapd 3-8-0 ... D Hotland 5
8 4500 SHOUN ELLS 56 D Ling 3-8-0 ... A Tucker (5) 2
9 0300 CAMADIAN CAPERS 6 (C.P) M Cammon 3-7-13 ... J Comm 9
10 2540 HOT PROSPECT 36 (8) J Emeringon 3-7-9 ... J Finning 8
7-4 Same Sommit, 3-1 Sally's Son. 6-1 Carration Lapers, Lady Salto, 10-1 King's Guest Capitan Manmetate. 12-1 Hot Prospect. 16-1 others.

2.20 ARUN HANDICAP (52,490: 1m 2l) (12) 4-1 Pusey Street Boy, 9-2 Lookingto-pantone, 11-2 Commorant Bay, 7-1 Vagrancy. 8-1 Plash Ol Stram, Khrisma. 10-1 Affarmed's Destiny. 14-1 Dr Zera, 20-1 others. COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAMERS: 8 Hills: 18 winners from 53 names; 34,0%, 6 8skiling, 7 from 29, 24,1%; W O'Gorman, 26 from 109, 23,9%; N Callaghan, 9 from 47, 19,1%; R Guest, 4 from 21, 19,0%; M Johnston, 10 from 54, 18,5%. JOCKEYS: Emma D'Gorman. 24 wonners from 97 rides. 247%; S Davies, 5 from 21, 23,8%; N Day, 14 from 71, 197%; Dasn McKeown, 18 from 93, 19,4%; T Opion, 37 from 197, 18,8%, A Monno, 11 from 66, 167%.

22.4.40.7. 2011 (10 THE LAST EMPRESS 70 (CD.F.G) A Red 4-10-0 __S Davies 8
2 D431 DIME BAS 6 (CD.G) B Hills, 3-9-10 (3ea) __S McCartby (7) 2
3 1000 CAROLUSS, MISSG 6 (F.G.) J Methurs 5-8-13 __F Norton 6
4 040 THEANY GEN 49 Lord Humigroon 3-8-3 ___F Norton 6
5 4204 SILKEN WORKDS 18 W Mair 3-8-5 _____ A Rearth 9
7 3004 PLEASLINE AHEAD 8 (C) M Dizon 5-8-0 _____ A Techner 5
8 6020 SNIGHR REPLY 8 D Marts 4-7-12 _____ Caire Baiding (3) 1
9 4000 WOTAMOMA 8 Palling 4-7-7 _____ IN Humphries (3) 10
10 0000 FM CURROLUS 18 R Thompson 3-7-7 _____ IN Jearney 3 to 18 9-4 Dinne Bag. 5-1 Child Star. 6-1 Silken Words, 8-1 Corousel Mus.c., The Last Empress, Tiltany Gem. 10-1 Singang Reply. 20-1 others.

3.20 ROTHER HANDICAP (£2,364: 51) (10)

4-1 Tommy Tempest, 5-1 Little Sabolear, 13-2 Indian Endewour, 7-1 Sentur, Hurry, 8-1 Teather, 10-1 Heaven-Leigh-Grey 12-1 Incominger, 16-1 others.

3.50 THAMES HANDICAP (£2,490: 7f) (16) 1 /602 SUPER SERBIADE 16 (CD) 6 Belding 3-10-0 ______ T Dulm 9
2 0054 COLUSSUS 21 (BF.G.S) P Restam 4-9-11 _____ Delt Gibson 1
3 4031 BOY MARTIN 6 (C.F) M Johnston 3-9-7 (Sex) Dean McKnown 13
4 0234 MARGLEF 16 D Cosprete 3-9-5 ______ F Norton 15
5 5005 AYR RADDER 29 (F.G) W Mult 5-9-5 ______ J WHIGHT 5
6 0002 COURTING MEWMARKET 16 (C) Mrs. A Knight 4-9-1 _____ SWarms (Z) 12 7 3820 HOMEY HEATHER 28 C Wai 3-9-0 ... 0 Sugars 10 9 0000 MASTER HYDE 18 P Mischel 3-8-8 ... D Holland 6 9 0000 GEMBO BRY 6 (B.F.G) R Vocapuy 3-5-6 ... S Davson 4 10 006 POVLE AMBER 16 M Biometrial 3-5-5 ... S Bardwell 11 10 202 GUESSTMATION 11 J Pearce 3-8-5 ... S Bardwell 14 26 600 DAM CERTABH 6 A Derson 3-8-3 ... D Harrison (3) 3 13 -500 ERIK DOWN 137 (CD) Mrs L Pogod 5-8-1 ... G Million (7) 8 14 4000 BLIE OMFTER 57 Stockhe 3-8-1 ... D Harrison (3) 3 15 5000 ERIK DOWN 137 (CD) Mrs L Pogod 5-8-1 ... G Million (7) 8 14 4000 BLIE OMFTER 57 Stockhe 3-8-1 ... M Monto 2 15 50004 ALDAVÉ 151 (D.F.G) B Possy 7-7-9 ... M Adoms 7 16 000 EADY SKOGNLE 16 K Cumingham-Broat 5-7-8. N Carlisle 13-8 Million 15 J Guestinance Synt Serende 7-1 Calcustons 16-1 Caurlison

Howe Street gets Mackeson chance

HOWARD Johnson has decided to run Howe Street, along with stable companion Edberg. in the Mackeson Gold Cup at Cheltenham on

The County Durham trainer is running Howe Street even though he will be 6lb out of the handicap if top weight Kings Fountain takes his place in the line-up. Howe Street, a 25-1 chance, finished third behind Gale Again, another Mackeson entry, at Wetherby last month on his seasonal reappearance.

"I'll chance my arm and run the two of them," Johnson said, adding. "Howe Street has been entered at Cheltenham on Friday but the race he is in there is just as hot. Andy Orkney will ride Howe Street and I am looking for a top jockey to ride Edberg."

Edberg, an 8-1 chance, was ridden by Richard Dunwoody to a comfortable 12-length success at Sandown ten days ago, but Dunwoody is unavailable having been claimed by David Nicholson to ride Another Coral.

William Hill's opening odds of 13-2 against Another Coral were quickly cut to 9-2. Ladbrokes cut Kings Fountain to 7-1, from 8-1. and Beech Road to 16-1, from 20-1. BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Lingfield Park: 12.50 Sting in The Test.

White receives £300 fine

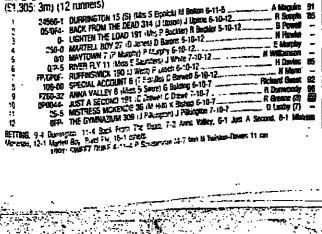
THE trainer John White and betting, after she finished his conditional rider Keith Comerford were each fined £300 at Fontwell yesterday under the Jockey Club's nontriers rule.

The stewards enquired into

eighth of the 11 runners in the Aldingbourne Claiming Handicap Hurdle. ☐ The trainer Roger Hoad has asked the Jockey Club to

pay the £5,500 costs he spent the running and riding of on successfully defending Charlie's Darling, who drifted himself in August against from 8-1 to 16-1 in the weight-switching allegations.





Cago Positiva Action 7-10. BETTPRE: 7-4 Sharmana, 9-4 Sunn Menni, 3-1 Monnann Di Trans, 9-2 Patris Resulte, 28-1 Postibio Action 1991: SURE METAL 8-11-12-6 McClout (7-2) D McClau 4 ma FORM FOCUS MOMENT OF TRUTH 21 2nd of 6 to Clay County to a bandicary chains at Kaleo (2m 11, good), with pRALM READER parame terms) 101 2nd, SURF MET-AL 21 2nd of 7 to Acre 168 to a tendicary chains at tendicary chain at tendicary ch 3.10 WARRINGTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,635: 2m) (8 runners)

22-1123 DED'S BALL SF (D.F.G.S) (Miss M Faraghar) D Median 6-12-0. D J Modiant (5) 94
22045/3 ATLAN 11 (D.F.G.S) (Miss M Faraghar) D Median 6-12-0. D J Modiant (5) 94
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21341/1 TREPLE TOP 13F (D.F.G.) (S Mobinsts IX White 7-10-12. A O'Houghi 113103- POLISTAING 221 (D.S.S) (J Gardon) M Hammond 5-10-8. P Hiven 95
22412-2 KAYTAK 19 (D.S.G. 1) Myles & Co (Contentions) Liel J Jacobins 5-10-9. M Ahom 95
24-121 MGTAS 25 (D.F.G.) (A Sotroidon) Miss A Whatfield 7-10-0. S McNobel 95
D0-1244 BEAUCADEAU 14 (D.F.) (T Barnes) M Barnes 6-10-0. B Shorey 95

2.40 GAMEKEEPERS HANDICAP CHASE (£3,395; 2m) (5 runners)

1991; TRIMLOUGH 6-12-0 J J Quinn (8-1) P Dalton 7 ran FORM FOCUS

colos bardie at SedgeBeid in March 1990 (2ro, pool de Brm).
PULSHANE 151 Srd of 12 to Coulton in a grade 11 aneica burde at Aintise (2ro 41, good), KAYTAK 2ki 2nd of 3 to Mighty Mogel to a bendicap burde at Newbury (2ro 1104), good). MRTAS bed Sonons's Son 11 in a 9-tranner handicap hastle at Station (2ro 1104), good to firm).
Selection: KAYTAK DEB'S BALL 101 3nd of 5 to Anno Ameon in a numbrace bornte at Newstatile (2m 110yd., good to firm). ATLAAL very smart handler a couple of seasons ago, 351 3rd of 6 to Jesy Just, in a burdle at Warelck (2m, pood to sot).

MOUNTAIN KONEDOM host Trapequations 101 in a 5-rumer handlase hurdle at Southwell last seeson (3m 110yd.) good to firm.

TRIPLE TOP beat Royal Estimate 61 in a 10-rumper

3.40 ISLAND NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,143; 2m 4f) (5 numers) 1 31004-3 ZAME 15 (8.5) (D Whyle) K Busin 7-12-0 P Alver 89
2 SUS1271- FAIR PHOSPECT 417 (D.F.S) (Devite Tube Rucing) P Hobbs 6-11-10 Peter Hobbs 9
3 0/26524 CM TAP 11 (7) (F Wiscon) M H Easterly 8-11-0 L Whyer 69
4 S2528- COMEDY SYY 194 (89) (Mrs.) Baneath Mrs. A Hewit 8-10-9 S J O'Nholl S 54-5F45 OLD ROAD 34 (6 Witschie) D Windle 6-10-1 C Genety 59;
BETTIME: 2-1 Fair Prospect. 5-2 On Tap, 3-1 Zamil, 5-1 Old Road, 7-1 Cassady Syy. 1991: TAKEMETHERE 7-12-0 J Lower (2-1 lav) M Pipe 6 ran

FORM FOCUS ZAMIL 1341 3rd et 14 to Carmiot Kraptal in a novice chass at Newton Albot (2m St. sod). FAR PROS-PECT bed Great MH 121 in an 11-cuner handicap burdle at Westerber Last season (2m 4t. good to 10m; OLD ROLAD 201 5th of 10 to Philos City in a novice chasa at Ludlow (2m

nam). ON TAP 436) 4th ol 8 to Fighting Words in 8 novice . .

4.10 LEVY BOARD HOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,768: 2m) (6 numers)

Long handicage Arisispas 9-11, Cambo 9-9, Quiel Miss 9-8.

BETTIME: 4-5 Battle Standard, 4-1 Emerald Vactors, 11-2 Le Polity's Isle, 6-1 Quiet Miss. 12-1 Cambo, 20-7 Arisispass.

1991: NO CORRESPONDING RACE FORM FOCUS

BATTLE STANDARD best fielings is a 10-miner | 41 110rd, good). AVISHAYES 381 7th of 14 to conditional jodinys' selfing burdle at Bargor (2m Royal Batt in a novice hardle at Notlingham (2m, 11, good to sub. EMERALD VENTURE 23 4th of 15 to Apache Bares in a movies busdle at Hardson (Zm. good). Previously, 10 Ard of 15 to Beyandlos in a novice burdle at Machen (Zm. good to firm). LA PELLEY'S ISLE 14/61 5th of 10 to Regai Rosper in a novice issuicap burdle at Redeum (Zm.

good), CAMEO 7341 3rd of 8 to Bend O' Hope in a covice hundrap burdle at Straight (2m. pood to firm), OUET MISS beat Green's Echibit 2 in a 12-naturer selling hurdle at Frantwell (2m 2f. good to furn). Selection: EMERALD VENTURE

TRAINERS Wine Rons % JOCKEYS Winners 6 Richards 24 87 27.6 N Doughty 20 M H Ensterby 6 27 22.2 G McCourt 16 O Starmond 5 24 20.8 J Osborns 4 20 20.0 M Device 15	Flides	
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LAPIAFFE 201 2nd of 7 to Prophos on a handicato crack: at Southwell on penultimate stan (3m 110)nd. cood to 50% (3m 10)nd (3m 110)nd (3m 10)nd (3m PRIME PRICE 51 2nd of 10 to Notiform Wooder in a read-cap fundie at felsor (2m 6f 110yd, good), with SME GROVE PLACE 46 7th PAPEHWORK BOY based-oil 28h of 11 to Nodorm Wooder to a handi-cap hundle at Welherby (2m 44 110yd, good). Bear Sterry Greams a neck in an 11-numer movice WORCESTER THINDERER

MANDARIN 1.00 Jackson Flint. 1.00 Emerald Ruler. 1 30 Kind'a Smart.

1.30 Magnus Pym. 2.00 River Fly. 2.30 Barton Bank. 2.00 Anna Valley. 2.30 Barton Bank. 3.00 Black Humour. 3.00 Black Humour. 3,30 Vicercy Jester. 4.00 Sandford Springs. 3.30 Jakarrdi. 4.00 Sandford Springs. RICHARD EVANS: 2.00 Anna Valley. 2.30 BARTON BANK (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 BARTON BANK.

GOING SOFT 1.00 RAYBURN ROYAL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,505: 2m 5l 110yd) (11 nunners)

1.30 GLYNWED ABSENT FRIENDS HANDICAP CHASE (£2.322: 2m) (7 runners)

Long Handiscap Trail Dancet 9-13
SETTING: 5-4 Kind a Smart, 11-4 Sailor Blue, 3-1 Hobbe Eyra, 9-1 Horborn Jinks, 12-1 Magnus Pyro, 20-1 War's
SETTING: 5-4 Kind a Smart, 11-4 Sailor Blue, 3-1 Hobbe Eyra, 9-1 Horborn Jinks, 12-1 Magnus Pyro, 20-1 War's COUNTY 25-1 KEY COUNTY 1991- SUFLERS PET 12-10-0 A Webb (25-1) T Hallest 10 ran

2.00 RAYBURN SUPREME NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (\$1,305; 3m) (12 runners)

2.30 AGA WORCESTER NOVICES CHASE (Grade II: £7,716: 2m 7f) (8 namers)

12201-1 BARTON BANK 18 (C.S.S) (Ms J Mould) D Micholson 6-11-1 ___ R Donwoody 1 12207-1 BARTON RAMK 18 (C.S.S.) (Mrs. J Mould) D Michatene 6-11-1 R Danwoody 2 2066M5- BULLIUM MELODY 406 (F.D.) (F. Phillips) C Coultry 10-11-1 Gury Lyons - 3 50/3323- FRENCH CHARMER 230 (H Pelbum) J Gillord 7-11-1 D Murphy - 4 0115-22 PETTY BRUBE 13 (F.B.S.) (C Boussian) A James 6-11-1 R Bolliumy - 5 P2062-5 ROMETAL PRINCE 15 (C.S.) (C Michael) C Michael 9-11-1 R Power - 6 30960-4 SUPRISOR PRINSH 15 (BF.G.S.) (C Michael) C Michael 9-11-1 M Pibron. 68 7 (62961) THE VATMANK CONSTH 8 (L Upson) J Upson 7-11-1 M Pibron. 68 90-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 80-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 80-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-10-13. P Socialmon 8 10-21F1 YOUNG HUSTLER 41 (F.B.S.) (G MacEchem) N T-Davies 5-

3.00 GLYNWED HANDICAP CHASE (£2,364: 2m 7f) (4 numers)

Long handicate: Dienes Destiny 9-12. Dendy Milestrel 9-0. BETTING: 2-5 Black Hamour, 9-2 Dianes Destiny, 6-1 Bronzo Final, 10-1 Dandy Milestrel. 1991: PAMBER PRIORY 8-10-9 P Scutemore (5-1) T Thomson Janes 16 am

3.30 COALBROOKDALE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,820: 2m 2i) (6 runners)

4.00 LEVY BOARD NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,406: 2m) (8 runners)

S200-2 SANDFORD SPRINGS 19 (R WIRBORS) D Burchall 5-11-10
324-203 STERLING BUCK 20 (G Yardin) G Yardin 5-11-5
324-203 STERLING BUCK 20 (G Yardin) G Yardin 5-11-2
PROSE-A EARDINAL BERG (R Wada) K Morgan 5-11-2
PROSE-KEMALS DELETT 207 (P Gormley) C Broad 5-10-7.
PRIVET SYMMEN BURKY 19 (R JO F Bores) D Bucklar 7-10-4
006-4 JONESTER 19 (R LIGHAND 1985 5-10-0
00FR BARELY BLACK 242 (M Bibbage) M Bibbage 4-10-0 Jacqui Oliver — Mr C Bonnar (7) (3) R Darnwoodly 93

Long bandiçay: Jokestin 9-10, Sarely Otack 9-9. BETTING: 5-2 Smothard Springs, 3-1 Sydney Bury, 7-2 Starling Buch, 6-1 Into Dilay, 7-1 Cardinal Bird, 9-1 Johnson, 25-1 Kessals Delight, 50-1 Baraly Black. 1991; NO CORRESPONDING RACE

COURSE SPECIALISTS JOCKEYS P Scurlarence A Magnice R Dumocody S Smith Eccles M Mann 35.3 23.3 15.7 15.6 14.7 14.3 22.2 21.2 16.0 15.6 15.5 14.3 6 27 7 33 8 50 15 96 12 77 15 105

☐ Revif (Michael Roberts) takes on nine locals for the represents Alec Stewart in the listed Prix le Fabuleux at Evry Georges and Grand Flotilla

today. The Newmarket raider are the pick of the opposition.

Phillips ready to rock boat to ensure smooth progress



hay Blyth has called on Peter Phillips, a Devon the credibility of the British Steel Challenge round-theworld race for amateur

Blyth and Phillips were great rivals in their days sailing multi-hulls. Now, although Blyth is a celebrity and a sailing entrepreneur, he needs Phillips to anchor this project to its original values and high standards.

When Phillips, 57, boards Rhone-Poulenc here today, he will be the yacht's third skip-per in six weeks. He will replace John O'Driscoll, who

decided at the weekend he would not continue as skipper for the second leg to Hobart. which starts on Sunday. O'Driscoll had originally taken over as a last-minute replacement for Alec Honey.

O'Driscoll's departure followed the forced resignation of another skipper, Will Sutherland, who left his yacht, Commercial Union, after it finished the first leg nearly a week behind the rest of the ten-strong fleet last week. A crew member of Nuclear Elec-tric, David Johnson, 56, also pulled out because he felt he was not fit enough. These developments

Keith Wheatley reports from Rio de Janeiro

on the arrival of a tough-talking skipper

to buoy yachting's British Steel Challenge

hardly consistent with the aim of the race: to prove that wellequipped and prepared amateurs could sail round the world, under the guidance of experienced skippers. Never-theless, Blyth, the originator and director of the event, was optimistic yesterday. "I pre-dict that, barring accidents. the skippers we have now are the ones who will finish the

Phillips, a blunt, former policeman with a perhaps unfair reputation for having boats sink under him, has been brutally candid with his demoralised new crew. "They are about to learn that this is not a nice game." Phillips, who was aboard a Rio-bound jet only 36 hours after receiving his phone call to arms from Blyth, said. "I'm going all the way round and if

They've just been sitting on deck with the spinnaker up for the past month; a walk in the sun," he said, referring to the first leg to Rio, during which weather conditions were generally benign.

hillips added: "I don't know if any of them know what they are about to get into. There are -sickness. It doesn't matter. As long as we've got nine bodies on deck we can win. I will sail the damn thing on

anyone gets off in Hobart or my own if need be. One thing cape Town, it's not going to that I've learned is that the champagne tastes better if you are the first boat in."

Phillips has unconventional views on such things as an alternate watch system regarded as essential on a long-distance racing yacht. "I don't believe in the formal watch system when I am racing. If you want to go faster than the other bloke then you need maximum effort from the maximum numbers," he

When his 80ft catamaran foundered in mid-Aflantic in 1988, pursuing a record. Phillips spent 29 hours in the water before being picked up. During his years in the Devon and Cornwall police he taught adventure and survival skills - including sailing - to his

colleagues. "We prefer to have had ten skippers start and the same ten finish." Blyth said. "Per-haps we should have had them in place earlier. It's our

mistake as organisers if things to go wrong in that area. "However, the fact that we've had only one crew member quit is amazing. Remember these people aren't yachnes they've got stuff back at the ranch; wives,

Simms gets

chance

to take on

Russians

Tony Simms, a late replacement in the England basketagainst Russia in Manchester

tonight, goes straight into the

reach the European champ-ionship finals for the first time.

If England beat Russia by

four points and defeat Den-

mark in Aarhus on Saturday,

they will qualify, as long as they avoid a ten-point defeat in Bulgaria next Wednesday.

Tennis: Julie Pullin, 17, the

left-hander from Hove, fought

bravely before losing 6-2, 5-7, 6-4 to Natalia Bykova-Egor-

round of the Texaco women's

tournament in Manchester.

Shirli-Ann Siddall and Colette

Hall were also beaten while

the defending champion,

Amanda Grunfield, had to

withdraw because of injury.

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Pullin out

FOOTBALL

Cup replay affords Liverpool chance to extend good run

By IAN ROSS AND LOUISE TAYLOR

THE need to avoid complacency will be uppermost in Graeme Souness's thoughts this evening as Liverpool seek to underline their improved domestic form by reaching the last 16 of the Coca-Cola Cup. They take on Sheffield United in a third-round replay at

Although the belligerent and unorthodox style of their opponents tonight will influence the Liverpool manager's selection, he is aware of the dangers of over-confidence. "I felt that we did well in securing a goalless draw in the first meeting at Bramall Lane, but this tie is definitely not over yet." he said. "Sheffield United make life very difficult for their opponents regardless of who they are."

If Souness and his players were still smarting from their 6-2 aggregate defeat by Spartak Moscow in the European Cup Winners' Cup last week, they will have drawn strength and fresh hope from the emphatic 4-1 Premier League victory over Middles-brough at Anfield on Saturday. "I want us to play against Sheffield United as we have been playing at home of late." Sourcess said. "At the week-

PETER Marshall's 70-

minute 9-2, 9-7, 9-6 defeat of

Chris Dittmar, the Australian

world No. 2, in the first-string

clash between Leekes Wizards

and Cannons Club in this

week's Pimm's Premier

League will have heartened

the rising generation of British

players. But it may not entirely

please the organisers of Janu-

ary's national championships.

famous for his relentless two-

handed style, has now beaten

all but Jansher Khan, the

world champion, of the top

five players he set his sights on

after winning the British title.

Marshali, at 21 already

end. I felt that some of our football in the first half was real quality stuff. A repeat performance would be most

Sourcess will delay naming his side until shortly before kick-off, but Mark Wright and Rob Jones, the England international defenders, are unlikely to win recalls despite their inclusion in a provisional squad of 14.

In the absence of Rosenthal, the Israeli forward who is on international duty, Stewart may be asked to partner Rush in attack as Liverpool seek to secure a home tie against Crystal Palace in the fourth Liverpool hope to complete

the signing of Stig Inge Bjornebye, the Norwegian international midfield player, before the end of the week. Bjornebye, who plays for

Rosenberg in Norway, has been on trial for the past 11 days and has indicated a desire to make permanent his move to English football. There is still some negotiating to do but I am hopeful that everything will be sorted out shortly," Souness said, "He is young and confident and I see him as a Steve Nicol-type of

SQUASH

Marshall inspires Britons

By COLIN McOUILIAN

lifted Marshall into sixth pos-

ition in the new international

Super Series table, with three

events left before the

\$100,000 eight-man play-offs

are held in Zurich at the same

time as the so far unsponsored

British national champion-

in Zurich, Marshall will fancy

his chances of scooping a big

portion of the prize fund against a field certain to be lacking Chris Robertson, of Australia, Ross Norman, of

New Zealand, and Jahangir

Khan, of Pakistan. But it will

With a round-robin format

That run of success has

player who can perform in a variety of positions."

Another Coca-Cola Cup replay tonight sees Scarbor-ough, of the third division, at home to Plymouth Argyle, the second-division side managed by Peter Shilton. They drew 3-3 at Home Park a fortnight ago. The winners will be at home to either Arsenal or Derby County, who must also replay at Highbury. Geoffrey Richmond, the

Scarborough chairman, said: "It is a fantastic draw for us and would be the biggest night in our history. The incentive for beating Plym-outh is a guaranteed full house, whether it is against Arsenal's £10 million team or Derby's £10 million team." ☐ Fifa has extended by 15 days the November 10 deadline for Seville to deposit guarantees for £3 million

owed to Napoli over the

transfer of Diego Maradona. Football's world governing body told Seville on Septem ber 30 that earlier guarantees endorsed by a Spanish bank in Zaragoza were invalid and they must deposit fresh guarantees with an Italian bank by November 10 in accordance with the transfer agreement.

possibly include Chris Walker,

the England No. 2, who

reached last week's European

Open semi-finals and lies

ninth in the Super Series

National championships

without a defending champion, a natural second seed or a

sponsor must necessarily lose

some credibility. The National

League, however, gains com-

League, nowever, garns com-petitive prestige week by week. RESULTS Pinnse premier league: First division: Leekes Wazards 4, Camons Club (, Lambs Club 3, Countshop Surbson 1; WF Village Manchester 1, Rackets 3, St Mellons 1, Lingfield 3, League positions: 1, Leeke Wazards, 23pts; 2, Lambs, 21; 3, Camons, 16, 4, Rackets, 14; 5, Lingfield, 11; 6, Countshop Surbson, 8, equal 7, WF Village Manchester and St Mellons, 2.

points table.



Faldo sets sights on grand prize

La Quinta, California: Nick Faldo, the Open champion and world No. 1, claimed as he prepared for the PGA Grand Slam of Golf, which started here last night, that he was playing the best golf of his

The Grand Slam, a two-day tournament at the Jack Nicklaus Resort course that offers a first prize of \$400,000 (about £265,000), brings together the winners of the four major championships in a 36-

hole, medal play format. The event pits Faldo against the Masters champion, Fred Couples, who replaced him briefly at the top of the world rankings this year, as well as US Open champion Tom Kite, of the United States, and the PGA Championship winner, Nick Price, of Zimbabwe.

Faldo, who was relegated to No. 2 in the rankings when Couples briefly took over at the head of the rankings, went back to No. 1 with his extraordinary play during the summer. In addition to the Open. he also won the Irish Open, the Scandinavian Masters and the World Match Play

championship.
"I think I've got a better understanding about my golf, and I've progressed a little bit

Originally scheduled to be played in Kauai, Hawaii, the event was moved to California due to extensive damage to the course and surrounding area caused by Hurricane Niki in September. "It's another top 10 finish." Faldo said. There's no cut. is there?

RUGBY UNION

Neath pick powerful pack

representing them this afternoon against the Australians, only five remain from that which gave the New Zealanders such a torrid time three years ago. Although they eventually lost 26-15, only a point (13-12)separated them mid-

way through the second half. Behind the scrum, Paul Thorburn is the sole survivor and only Welsh international player. Among the forwards, Brian Williams and Kevin Phillips remain to help form a full front-row complement of Pembrokeshire farming stock, while Gareth Liewellyn partners his brother, Glyn, in the

second row and Martyn Mor-ris is on the flank. Add John

GARY Armstrong and Craig Chalmers, Scotland's world

cup half-back pairing, will be

reunited when they appear for South against North and Midlands in the opening

match of the McEwan's inter-

district championship on Sat-

urday week in Dundee (Alan

Armstrong, seriously in-jured last January and absent

from both the five nations'

championship and Scotland's tour to Australia, had been selected for the Scottish squad

to take part in the Dubai

Sevens on November 19 and

20. However, Armstrong

withdrew from the squad

Lorimer writes).

Andrew Kembery, who has not played in any of the league matches this year, has been chosen at No. 8. Steve Williams, who normally occupies this position, moves to wing forward. At scrum half, and continuing the family connection, is Rhodri Jones, 21, brother of Welsh international, Robert. He has been selected ahead of the former international, Robert Bridges.

Selection has not been plain sailing. Andrew Thomas felt so aggrieved at being over-looked in favour of Phillips as hooker that he refused to act as a replacement. played against Swansea but

Scottish half-back pair reunited

There could be a head-to-

head dash with Andy Nicol.

who took over from Arm-

strong for the five nations'

series, but the Dundee scrum

half has been troubled with

harnstring injuries recently

and may not be fit to take his

place in the North and Mid-

Chalmers has been given the captaincy of a side missing four of the Scots bound for

Dubai. They are Gregor

Townsend, Ian Corcoran,

Carl Hogg and Adam Rox-burgh, Scott Nichol, of Selkirk

selection for South.

lands team.

because of family reasons who is a Scotland B cap, is at and thus became available for outside centre, the position in

Nine of Australia's team

NEATH have experienced Davies to these and there are only five of those who played changing times. Of the team six internationals in the pack. last Saturday. Nucifora and Brial play their first games in Wales. The Australian management are clearly sharing their remaining fixenes among all their players. As their manager, John Breen says, this is part of the squad's education process. After all, apart from stand-off half and one wing — in the event of Campese not being fit —

> international selection. NEATH: Phodburn; S Bowling, L Issec, J Bird, J Reynolds; M McCarthy, R Jones, B Williams, K Phillips, J Devies, S Williams, K Phillips, J Devies, S Williams, K Phillips, J Devies, S Williams, K Hollips, J Lewellyn, M Morris, A Karnbery, AUSTRALIANS: T Kelaher; D Smith, J Lete, L Walker, D Junec; T Walker, P Statistry (captain); M Ryan, D Nucifora, A Bledes, M Brisl, R McCall, J Estes, S Scott-Young, T Color.
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> Reference: A Cura (France).

Australia already know their

outside centre, the position in

which Townsend would al-

most certainly have been se-lected, while Corcoran's place

at hooker goes to the equally

capable Jim Hay, of Hawick.

who is another former B cap

and who has been a Scotland

replacement. Kirkpatrick, at

No. 8, and Amos, at openside

flanker, have been recalled.

SOUTH OF SCOTLAND: C Redpath (Metrose); A Stanger (Hamick), S Nichol (Selicit), G Shiel (Metrose), M Moncrieff (Selicit), G Shiel (Metrose), M Moncrieff (Selic); C Cramens (Metrose, capath), G Armstrong (Led-Forest); G Issae (Gale), J Hay (Hawick), S Forquison (Psables), D Turnbul (Hawick), R Brown (Fraelrose), G Welf (Metrose), J Arnos (Pala), R Kirkpathick (Led-Forest), Replacements S McGauchie (Selicit), G Offwer (Hemick), S Brothesstone (Metrose), H Hurster (Gale).

ministry is taking legal action against the Association of Ten-mis Professionals (ATP) for refusing officials permission to conduct random drug tests at the European Community championships. Shaw takes over

Badminton: David Shaw, 56, former general secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, has been appointed executive director of the Interna-

Pot luck

(IBF).

Snooker: Chris Small took a 6-1 lead over the favourite, Alan McManus, in the bestof-17-frame final of the Benson and Hedges championship in Glasgow yesterday.

Pass master

American football: Steve Young passed for three touchdowns and the San Francisco 49ers forced six turnovers on Monday night to beat the Atlanta Falcons 41-3.

Stage winner

Move rejected

Motor rallying: Juha Kankkunen, the world champion from Finland, won the eighteenth stage of the Catalonia

Cricket: The former Gioucestershire and England batsman, Bill Athey, 35, has rejected the chance of a move to

New coach

Rugby league: Leigh, the bottom club in the first division. have appointed Steve Simms. an Australian, as coach.

Back in the fold Boxing: South Africa have been provisionally readmitted to the World Boxing Council.

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Tranmere step confidently into great unknown

TRANMERE Rovers are on football's equivalent of a geography field trip today. To be honest, I'm not 100 per cent sure where Reggiana is," John King, manager of the first division club, said on

the eve of the team's denarture for Anglo-Italian Cup When the draw for this stage of the tournament. involving home and away mini-leagues, was made in London, the conference suite of a five-star hotel turned into

a geography classroom as

chairmen and directors be-

came fourth-formers studying a boot-shaped outline. A month on, the feeling that it is all a bit of an adventure remains. "I expect it will be hotter and sunnier out there, and the players can take some lighter dothes," King said, blissfully unaware that on Monday Reggio was only three degrees centigrade warmer than Liverpool. Reggio is the northern

Italian home town of Reggiana, Tranmere's cup opponents, but if the geo-graphical details of Tranmere's first foray into Europe remain a little hazy, the footballing aims are crystal

The final is at Wembley. We have been there about seven times in recent seasons [in the promotion play-offs, and lower division cup comperitions] and it would be nice to pull another rabbit out of the hat," King said.

On Saturday Tranmere went second in the first division, the highest position in the club's history, but King is not perturbed about the

Louise Taylor discovers the European adventure is not over for English clubs

possibility of an Italian jaunt distracting his players from their principal promotion

"Success breeds success and I am never sceptical about these competitons," he said. "You never know where such paths lead. We might be Merseyside's third team, but we are the only one still in Europe and will relish the adventure. We like to play good attacking football. We are conscious that we are representing our country and want to outplay the Italians." King had hoped to visit Reggio — situated between Venice and Bologna — and

do some homework, but the itineraries from Merseyside were too complicated. But we did have them scouted and learnt they play a sweeper, are one of the top teams in Serie B and unbeaten at home," he said.

King is unfazed. "It might be a new horizon for most of my players, but John Aldridge and Pat Nevin really know the business - and we are scoring goals."

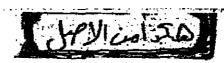
If it is a brave new world for Tranmere, European involvement is old hat to Derby County. Tonight Pisa visit the Baseball Ground, where County want to recapture the glory of the 1970s, when they competed in the European and Uefa cups.

Roy McFarland; the dub's sistant manager, who was Derby's centre half during

those days, clearly recalls losing a European Cup servifinal to Juventus in 1973. Achieving such heights puts the Anglo-Italian Cup into perspective, but McFarland is not knocking it. "Games keep players busy," he said. "Our Derby squad is still gelling and the more we play the better. This is a chance to put things right after losing to Millwall last

Saturday.
"It will be intriguing to contrast the standards and the style. I have no idea how the Italians will compare, but we can only learn from experiencing different

Derby bookmakers are offering odds on whether Marco Gabbiadini, County's striker, whose father is Ital-



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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax (64985) 6.30 BBC Breakfast News (98269527)
9.05 Kiliroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk Chairs a studio discussion on a topical subject (3531343) 9.45 Ross Kilng. Game show (s) (5961985)
10.00 News, regional news and weather (7850492) 10.05 Playdays. For the very young (s) (5153701)

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the very young (s) (5153/01)

10.30 Good Morning ... with Anne and Nick. Weekday magazine series presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. Today's gdition includes Lesley Joseph's weekly snoop behind someone's lace curtains, Barbara Carriand with a love story, consumer affairs, Claire Rayner's "agony" column, and health advice for the slightly overweight woman (s). With News (Ceefax) and weather at 11.00 and 12.00 (4260/1492)

and 12.00 (42001482)
12.15 Pebble Mill. Judi Spiers is joined by Lord (Denis) Healey (6383701)
12.55 Regional News and weather (78423430)
1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. (Ceefax) Weather (75701)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (42521492)-1.50 Eldorado (f). (Ceefax)
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2.20 Starsky and Hutch. The flared-trousered policemen go undercover when word gets round that a master criminal is in town to attend a diamond auction (r) (1595850). Water: 2.30-4.10 Rugby thing — Neath v Auctoria.



Recalling her career: the actress Julie Andrews (3.10pm)

3.10 Primetime presented by Gloria Humiford and Maggle Philibin. Today's guests are Harry Secombe, June Writifield, Tony Slattery and Julie Andrews. There is also an item on benning ageism in the

and June Anthews. There is also an aeriffor Delining egenery in the workplace (s) (7987324)

3.50 Dooby Duck's Euro Tour. Pupper music show (s) (3808904) 3.55

Radio Roo (4809782) 4.10 Potsworth & Co. Animation (r) (4689343) 4.35 Ipso Pacto. The first of a new series of the awardwinning documentary programme. Today, two teenagers investigate looks with the help of Shakespear's Sister and footballer leatin Eachanii (8790058).

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5.00 Newsround (8541879) 5.10 Grange Hill. Children's drama serial set in a secondary school (r). (Ceefax) (s) (2313091)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (983898). Northern ireland: inside

6.00 Six O'Clock News with John Humphrys and Andrew Harvey.

(Ceefax) Weather (527)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (879). Northern reland: Neighbours
7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (s) (4850)
7.30 Tomorrow's World. With news of the leser disc, a new kind of

powerboat and a resistant form of tuberculosis discovered in New York. (Ceefax) (s) (661)

York. (Ceefax) (s) (661)

8.00 Trainer. Drama serial set in the world of horse racing. Starring David McCallum, Susannah York, Mark Greenstreet and Patrick Ryecar. (Ceefax) (s) (886459)

8.50 Points of View presented by Anne Robinson (s) (733121)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (6817)
9.30 Pole to Pole. Michael Palin's oclyssey reaches half way with a trek across Sudan's Nublan desert and then, because of civil war, eastwards to Ethiopia. (Ceefax) (224817)
10.20 Sportsnight Introduced by Ray Stubbs. Rugby Union: highlights of Neath v Australia and a preview of Saturday's England v South. Africa match; Basketball: England v Russia in the European championship; Football: Premier league action and a preview of next week's World Cup games (s) (622695)
11.20 Paradise. Western adventures starring Lee Horsley (839343)

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8.00 Breakfast News (4621169) 8.15 Westminster (3975324)
9.00 Daytime on Two. Educational programmes (23910782)
2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r)
2.15 Women Priests: Time To Decide. Live coverage of the General Synod's debate and vote on the issue of women pnests, introduced by Francine Stock from Church House, Westminster. With News (Ceefax) and weather at 3.00 and 3.50 (3246395)
6.00 Star Trek. In part two of The Managerie Spock takes the crew of the Enterprise to a forbidden planet (r). (Ceefax) (769237)
6.50 DEF It: Rough Guide to the World's Islands. The first of seven programmes in which Magenta De Vine and Rajan Datar visit exotic islands, beginning with Hawari. (Ceefax) (s) (192701)
7.40 Open Space: Dietbreakers. A discussion on the myths of dieting, hosted by Mary Evans Young who founded a group to help women escape the tyranny of walching one's weight. (Ceefax) (388140)



Haunted by Auschwitz: Italian writer Primo Levi (8.10pm)

8.10 Primo Levi: The Memory of the Offence.

 CHOICE: This moving portrait of the great Italian writer concentrates on the experience which changed his life and may have motivated his suicide — Auschwitz Levi survived a year there having been selected for slow death by working rather than instant death by gas chamber. When he came out he wrote If This is the Man which described his experiences clinically; he hoped that by writing like an eyewitness at a trial, he would help bring the offenders to full justice. In the event he became disappointed at what he saw as Germany's tack of repenhance. Nor did he ever get there "the charge that a text man event received to expende over "the shame that a just man experiences at another man's crime". Yet troubled as he was, he was able to comfort other survivors (s) (873985)

9.00 M*A*S*H. When small items that have disappeared are found in Hawkeye's locker, Henry has no choice but to fifl out court martial pages (s) (857001)

papers (r) (357091)

9.25 The Secret Agent. The final episode of Dusty Hughes's faithful dramatisation of Joseph Conrad's novel, starring David Suchel as the reluctant anarchist Adolf Vertoc. (Ceefax) (s) (464072)

10.20 Fifth Column. Colin Buchanen, bisho in the diocese of Rochester. argues that the time has come to disestablish the Church of England (434169) 10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow (497121) 11.15 The Late Show.

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● CHOICE: Even in laissez-faire Los Angeles it is possible to shock your neighbours as Frank Gehry, subject of tonight's profile, discovered. An architect who admits that he enjoys being considered a "weindo", Gehry's most personal project came in 1978 when he "wrapped" chainlink fencing and corrugated siding around his ordinary suburban home (chosen by his wife). The endeavour served to infuriate the locals but also to publicise his "cheapskate aesthetic". He has since created many public and private buildings for Los Angeles, even exporting his style to Europe, though London rejected his plans for King's Cross. The programme ends by looking at Gehry's plans for a \$100 to \$200 million Walt Disney Concert Hall in LA. Will it restore optimism, or will it be seen as an ecoarbic "cultural lucury"? (s) (107256)

11.55 Women Priests: Today's Synod Debate. Highlights from this afternoon's debate at Church House, Westminster (868430)

12.25am Behind the Headlines. Linda Agran analyses vampires past

12.25am Behind the Headlines. Linda Agran analyses vampires past and present with quest Christopher Lee; asks Chioe Goodchild about what makes perfect couples and hears a cynic's point of view on the subject from divorced carbonist Michael Heath (9852251)

12.55 Weather (7213589) VideoPlus+ and the Video PlusCodes

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9.55 Thames News (5139121)
10.00 The Time... The Place... Topical discussion (s) (7685891)
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followed by national weather (90524091)

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12.30 ITN Lunchtime News with Sonia Ruseler and Nicholas Owen. (Oracle) Weather (3116430) 1.05 Thames News (58671342)

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5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz (8168256)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (121121)
5.55 Thames Help (r) (444850)
6.00 Home and Away (r) (Oracle) (695)
6.30 Thames News (275)

7.00 This is Your Life. Michael Aspel springs an emotional surprise on another unsuspecting worthy (s) (9546) 7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (459)

8.00 Des O'Commor Tonight. The entertainer's guests are Shirley Bassey, Julie Andrews, Joe Pasquale, Bradley Walsh and Jane Horrocks (s) (7102)



A Close encounter: Michael Douglas meets Glenn (9.00pm)

9.00 Film: Fatal Attraction (1987)

 CHOICE: This silly but gripping film has endured something of a backlash since its highly successful release in the late eighties. Yet there is something so hombly recognisable about the situation that it still has the power to chill Michael Douglas is at his best as a Manhettan lawyer who has a brief, passionate affair, and Anne Archer is suitably attractive yet unexciting as his wife. But it is Glenn Close who steals the show as Alex, the filted lover who turns into a Machine filter brightness continuous passionate. The three are the tituted and the stability and southern the stability at the stabil Liose who steam the show as Alex, the juted lover who turns into a Medusa-like nightmare spitting vengeance. The thing is that when she says to him: "You've had your fun, now you just want a quet life", she has a definite point and director Adrian Lyne manipulates our emotions to ensure that even by the nail-biting climax, we still have a vestige of sympathy for her. (Note: some scenes have been cut) (Oracle) (s) (7898) (Continues after the news)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald. (Oracle) Weather (66492)

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10.40 Film: Fatab Attraction continued (22/7343)
11.55 Holfywood Report. Showbusiness gossip (882256)
12.25am Kojak. The New York policeman investigates a woman's claim that she has been attacked. But is she telling the truth? Stamng Telly Savalas (f) (3227541)
1.20 For Adults Only. A documentary, narrated by Ned Beatty, on Hollywood's low budget skinflicks from the 1930s to the 1950s (3134990).
4.55 For Adults Only. (6) (20170)

(3134900)
2.45 America's Top Ten (s) (82170)
3.15 Videofashion (58473229)
3.40 Quriz Night presented by Ted Robbins (70109812)
4.10 Grand Ote Opry. Country and western music from Nashville, Tennessee (r) (s) (84410541)
4.40 Fifty Years On (byl): Virtage newsclips (39650676)
5.00 Therefore a Country spring descripe (che Ritter)

5.00 Three's a Crowd. American comedy series starring John Ritter

5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman (40305). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Cartoons (21782) 7.00 The Big Breakfast presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Roslin

9.00 You Bet Your Life American game show hosted by Bill Cosby (83169) 9.30 Schools (713017)

12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Anne Perkins (96633)
12.30 Sesame Street Early learning senes The guest is Robin Williams (19237)

 1.30 Eureeka's Castle. Young people's entertainment (r) (14527)
 2.00 Film: Death Drums Along the River (1963) staring Richard Todd. Thriller, based on Edgar Wallace's novel Sanders of the River, about diamond smuggling, mystery and murder in darkest Africa. Directed

by Lawrence Huntington (43324) 3.30 The Railrodder (1965, b/w). A Buster Keaton short made towards the end of the comic actor's career (463)
4.00 Family Pride. Drama senal about a Midlands-based Asian family

(S) (188)
4.30 Fitteen to One. Fast-moving general knowledge quiz, presented by William G Stewart (s) (512)
5.00 The Oprah Wintrey Show. Guests discuss vanous ways of disciplining children (s) (8054053)
5.55 The Magic Roundabout Classic children's series, narrated by Ninel Place (n. 144292)

Nigel Planer (r) (442492) 6.00 Treasure Hunt. Anneka Rice is in the Emerald Isle looking for

hidden treasure (r) (Teletext) (23275)

7.00 Channel 4 News with Dermot Murnaghan and Zeinab Badawi.
(Teletext) Weather (512701)

7.50 Party Political Comment from a Liberal Democrat politican

(721091) 8.00 Brookside. Soap set in a Merseyside close. (Teletext) (s) (3508)

8.00 Brookside. Scap set in a Merseyside close. (Teletext) (s) (3508) 8.30 Travelog.
● CHOICE The quirky travel programme returns, tonight with Pete McCarthy visiting Holland and Robert Elms travelling to Miami. The senes aims to appeal to the independently minded traveller and resists seeing every destination merely as noticial folder, trying instead to work out what makes the places tick. McCarthy for example sees Holland as an intiguing hybrid of Lincolnshire and Bangkok, so like England and yet so decidedly not like her. Embarrassingly he decides to seek out the hippy life he knew so well back in his student days; it is still there but the ageing McCarthy no longer fits in. Elms, a cooler customer, predictably heads for Miami's art deco south beach, a haven for the hip. Forthcoming attractions will include programmes devoted to single countries including Russia and France (Teletext) (s) (5343)
9.00 Dispatches. A report on new revelations about an extraordinary trade in East Germans during the cold war — revelations that

trade in East Germans during the cold war — revelations that threaten to become big scandals in the new Germany (749275)



Strange behaviour: grieving Miranda Richardson (9.45pm)

9.45 Short and Curties: Broken Skin. After her father's disappearance young Amelia struggles to make sense of her grieving mother's behaviour. Starring Miranda Richardson and Holly Barker (s)

10.00 The Golden Girls. Comedy from the four Miami matrons. (Teletext)

(s) (97362)

10.30 Hale and Pace. The first of a series of six repeats from Gareth and Norman's second LWT series (73782)

11.00 The Prisoner. Cult 1960s drama series devised by and starring

Patrick McGoohan (r). (Teletext) (85188)

12.00 The Steve Allen Show (b/w). The guest is Bob Hope (47218)

12.30am The Best of the Worst. Including the auction of one of Madonna's bras and a Texan woman marketing condom earings

12.55 Film: Tarang (1986) starring Smita Patel. Hinds drama set in the world of Indian big business. Directed by Shahani Kumar. English subtitles (66793096). Ends at 4.00

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA As London except: 2.15-2.45 Gardening Time (115459) 6.25-7.00 Angla News 1914590: 11.55 Matlock (569072) 12.50-1,20 Hollywood Report (2863015)

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HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.30 Wakes at Scr 11.55-12.65 Top Sport

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SKY MOVIES+

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SKY NEWS ● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites

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6.00am Showcase (7592679)
10.00 Bateman (1968) Adam West sairs as the caped crusader (57256)
12.00 Heroes (1977) War veteran Henry Winder starts a worm farm (59817)
2.00pm The Beet Nan (1964) Henry Fonda is a presidential candidate (96169)
4.00 Original Injent (1990): A lawyer helps the macric Mathematics (M1964)

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10.00 How Dear (1905); Arroin Sorwaz-enegger infiltrates the Maile (234617) 11.50 Afternoon (1969); A journalist inter-wews his wile's lover (650324) 1.25ap The Bonfire of the Vanities (1991) Tom Wolle's social cornecty (22224454) 4.00 In Bed with Madonina (1991) Documentary (60005). Ends at 6.00

SKY MOVIES GOLD Via the Astra satellite
 6.45pm Battle of British (1969): Second

5.45pm Hame or primari (1909): Seuant world wer aerial dopfints (82587-330) 8.00 Avalanche Express (1979): KGB agent Lee Marvin attempts to defect (75514) 10.00 Body Heat (1981). Kehleen Turner seduces Willem Hurt (25121). Ends at 11.50 THE MOVIE CHANNEL

7.20 Costing the Earth (r)
7.45 All in the Mind (r)
8.15 Age to Age: Christopher Cook tells the story of the White ● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 7.15am Cry, the Seloved Country (1951).

series could be accused of lack of balance. To compensate for this, the comments Waster gathers tonight from railwaymen who have had to stand by as the

10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Lotering with Intent. Peter O'Toole

autobiography 11,00 Magic Moments: The Introduction of tights in the Souza) (s)

1960s (s) (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 World Service

A black South African minister searches for SATELLITE his son (86723762) 9.05 Det and Keeto (4956430) 10.25 Det and the Whale (8044072) Children's stones SKY ONE and the Whate (8044072) Chibren's Stones moorgieve action and ammation 11.45 Deadly Game (1986): A student buikts a ructier bomb (82000508) 1.40pm Le Gloire de Mon Père (1991): Marcel Pagnol's story, based on his childhood (65796508) 3.35 Fire and ke (1983): Anthroled sword-anth-smart site (750256) © Vis the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 8.00sm The DJ Kat Show (88005430) 8.40 Mrs Pepperpot (3283188) 8.55 Playabout (756985) 8.10 Carbons (8456411) 9.30 The Pyramid Game (42324) 18.00 Ler's Make a Deal (84965) 10.30 The Bold and the Beautiful (10237) 11.00 The Young and the Restless (10409) 12.00 St Essewhere (55275) 1.00pm E Street (10445) 1.30 Geraldo (8498) 2.30 Another World (5845017) 3.15 Santa Barbara (757459) 3.45 The DJ Kat Show (6147072) 3.00 Star Trefc The Next

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beby (10898)
9.00 If the Shoe Fits (1990) Jenniter Grey
falls in love with Flob Lowe (87661)
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the rock star Jim Momson (48007527)
1.25em Severa Milinutes (1991). A man
attempts to assessmate Hater (167812)
9.05 That Magic Moment (1990): Teenage
drama set in 1959 (285639)
4.50 Hamussen (1989). A Ciarvoyant aids
the Noto (4541783). Ends at 8.00 the Name (4541763), Ends at 6,00

 Vis the Astra and Marcopolo satellites 6.30am Moming Stretch (33275) 7.00 Super Trisk (6241) 8.00 Muscle Night (63140) 8.00 Moming Stretch (51695) 9.30 German Football (47324) 11.30 The Dealer Channel Football (47824) 11.30 The Dealer Channel (97324) 12.00 American Sports Cavalcade (74807) 1.00pm The Footballer's Football Show (88332) 3.00 Stockholm Open Tennel (33072) 5.00 Watersports (8633) 6.00 Football News (744607) 6.03 WWF Alf-American Wresting (81701) 7.00 God: FGA Grand Starn (5812169) 12.00 The Cub Show (53817) 12.30mm British Ice Figure Stating (19638) 2.30-3.30 Torque (25638)

EUROSPORT

eVia the Astra satellite
8,00am Step Aerobas (56140) 8.30 Tennis
(33633) 10.30 Step Aerobas (75275) 11.00
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American Biblands (97985) 1.00pm BerinEuden Relay Marsihon (74643) 2.00
Triethon (10324) 3.00 Ternis (33508) 4.00
Free Cimbing (50673) 5.00 Figure Skating
(47492) 7.00 Football (13558) 8.30
Eurosport News (7986) 9.00 Grand Pris.
Magazine (20140) 10.00 Boxing (38237)
11.30-12.00 Eurosport News (15879)

SCREENSPORT Vis the Astra estellite
 7.00am Surigari Horse Show (54256) 7.30
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 10.00 Poverboat World (6225) 11.00
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RADIO 1

(FM only) 6.00 Simon Mayo 9.00 Simon Bales 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Jakks Brambles 3.00 Sieve Wright in the Afternoon 6.00 Mark Goodler's Mega Has 6.30 News '92 7.00 Mark Goodler's Evering Sesson 9.00 The Man Ereice Sunshine Show 10.00 Nicky Campbell Goes into the Night 12.00-4.00am Bob Harrs (FM only)

The high 12,00-4,00am See Harris (FM only)

RADIO 2

Show 6.15 Pause for Though 6.30 Brien Hayes Good Morring Ukl 9.15 Pause for Thought 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Charles Kennedy 2.00pm Gloria Humridord 3.30 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn 7,00 A Little Bit of Dorset: The Yethes celebrate 25 years topether 8.00 Jim Lloyd with Folk on 2 9.00 Nigel Ogden The Organist Entertains 8.45 A Small Portico of Womack 10.00 Music from the Jewish Tradition with Luce Steaping 10.30 The Jamesons 12.05em Jazz Panade 12.35-4.00 Steve Madden with Night Rode RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour unto 7.00pm.
6.00pm World Service. World News; 6.09
News About Britain: 6.15 The World Today
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WORLD SERVICE

All Irres in GMT. 4.30am Business Report
4.40 Travel and Weather 4.45 Programmes in
German 5.30 Europe Today 6.00 News 8.15
The World Today 6.30 Programmes in French 7.00 Newsdesh 7.30 Development 32 8.00 The World Today 8.39 Programmes in Franch 7.00 Newscest 7.30 Development 32 8.00 News 8.09 Words of Feath 8.15 Replace a Dis 8.30 Messing 9.00 News 8.05 Business Report 9.18 Country Style 9.30 Poems by Post 9.45 Sports Roundup 10.00 Ormitous 10.30 Jazz for the Aslang 11.00 Newscesk 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Metagarriagazan Mildday News 12.05 Depth World of Feith 12.15 New Ideas 12.35 Salt, Mustandt, Vindeger, Pepper 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 Newshout 2.00 News 2.05 Cutlook 2.30 Off the Shelf, Voss 2.45 Good Books 3.00 News 3.15 Behand the Glass Case 3.30 New 3.15 Inch 10.00 News 4.15 High Programmes in General 5.00 News 4.15 High Poems 1.00 News 4.15 High Programmes in General 5.00 News 2.00 News 4.15 High Programmes in General 5.00 News 2.00 News 4.15 High Programmes in General 5.00 News 2.00 News 4.15 High Programmes in General 5.00 News 2.00 News 4.00 N Books 3.00 News 3.15 Behind the Glass Case 3.30 h's a Funny Old World 4.00 News 4.15 BBC English 4.20 News in French 4.30 Programmes in German 5.00 News and Business Report 5.16 BBC English 5.30 Programmes in French 6.00 News class 6.30 Programmes in German 6.00 News 8.05 Programmes in German 6.00 News 8.05 Programmes in German 6.00 News 8.05 The World Today 8.26 World of Fath 8.00 Europe Tonight 9.00 Newshour 10.00 News 11.15 Sports International 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.05 Business Report 11.15 From Our Own Correspondent 11.30 Multitrack 2 Midshight Newsdesk 12.30 type It's a Funny Old World 1.00 News 1.05 Outlook 1.30 Wavegude 1.40 Book Choice 1.45 The Farming World 2.00 Newsdesk 2.30 Sports International 3.00 News 3.15 Sports Roundup 3.30 Assignment 4.00 News 4.15 The Farming World Consert Sports Roundup 3.30 Assignment 4.00 News 4.15 The Farming World Consert Sports Roundup 3.30 Assignment 4.00 News 4.15 The Farming World Consert Schulbert (Plosamunde ballet mussc): Strauss (Roserkawaier Waltzes) 3.00 Petrot Trelawny 6.00 Classic Reports with Margaret Howard 7.00 Book Browse with John Russet 8.00 Classic FM Concert London Symphony Orchestra under Hokox Includes Elgar (Volin Concert) Safvalore Accordol.

Distance Trials (95966) 12.00 NFL 1992 (35633) 2.00pm Tennis (936362) 5.00 Revs (5140) 5.30 Ledies Pro Bowling (93817) 6.30 Trial Kok Box (26343) 7.30 Ternis (664633) 10.30-12.30am Basketbell (32507) LIFESTYLE

● Vist the Astra satellite 10.00am Women of the World (17237) 10.30 10.00mm Women of the World (17237) 10.30 Cover Story (73817) 11.00 Gloss (12633) 11.30 The Joan Rivers Show (3369904) 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael (9682091) 1.10 Lunchbox (94604224) 1.40 Self-a-Vision (22924169) 2.10 Murder at the Wedding (5427904) 3.00 The New Newly-wad Game (6091) 3.30 The Mothers-in-Law [542] 4.00 Dick Van Dyke Stow (527) 4.30 Gerneshows (50324) 5.30 Selt-a-Vason (7091) 6.00 Safly Jessy Raphael (84411) 7.00 Selt-a-Vision (658072) 10.00 Music Videos (6126546) 2.30am Top Five (64676)

and the Magic Torch (79608904) 6.30 Germ (5366995) 7.00 The Animated Flash Gordon (4042091) 7.30 Neighbours (4039898) 8.00 Sons and Daughters (1105430) 8.30 East-Enders (1104701) 9.00 The Bill (1195063) 9.30 One by One (4631527) 10.30 A Very Peoular Practice (6813559) 11.30 Terry and June (2242985) 12.00 Sons and Daughters (1115817) 12.30pm Neighbours (4559817) 1.00 EastEnders (4041362) 1.30 The Bill (4558188) 2.00 Father, Dar Father (256996) 2.30 Just Good Friends (2934362) 3.00 Delass (2248701) 4.00 The Animated Flash Gordon (2925614) 4.30 Degrassa High (2821989) 8.00 Neighbours (225927) 5.30 De Wito (2905850) 6.00 One by One (4534508) 7.00 Father, Dear Father wed Game (8091) 3.30 The Mothers-in-Law (5492) 4.00 Dick Van Dyke Stow (4527) 4.30 Geneshows (50324) 5.30 Sels-4-Vison (7091) 5.00 Sels-4-Vison (7091) 5.00 Sels-4-Vison (7098) 7.00 Sels-4-Vison (7

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather 7.00 On Air, presented by Piers Burton-Page, Including excerpts from Handel (Acis and Galates: English Baroque Soloists under John Eliot

Gardiner)
Composers of the Week Aliven and Stenhammar. Stenhammar. Midwinter, Op 24 Sternamman, Modwiser, Op 24 (Gothenburg Concert Heil Choir, Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra under Neeme Järvi); Vandraeri, Stjaman (Häkeri Hägegard, baritone, Thomas Schuback, pano); Aliven. Schuback, pano); Aliven. Symphony No 1 in Finance Stockholm Phanarmonic

10.00 Midweek Choice, with Susan Sharpe Sullivan (Overture, lolanthe Pro Arte Orchesto under Stantord Robinson); Vivaldi (Oboe Concerto in F. RV455 King's Consort under Robert King, with Paul Goodwin, oboe); Szymanowski Wariations on a Polish Folk Theme. Op 10. Andrzej Stefanski, pieno); Britten (Sanctus, War Requiem: Boys of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, City of Birmingham Symptomy Orchestra and Chorus under Smon Rattle,

with Elisabeth Söderström, soprano, Thomas Allen, bartone), Mozart (Piano Concertó No 21 in C, K467 Prague Chamber Orchestrunder Paul Badura-Skoda, ciano), Morley (Come Sorrow Come Ian Partndge, tenor, Korrad Ragossnig, lute); J.H. Roman (Sinfonia in F: Orpheus Chamber Orchestra); Sibelius (Tabiola: Scottish National Orchestra under Alexander Gibson): Beethovel (Theme and variations in D for mandolin and piano: Alison Stephens, mandoin, Richard

Sumett, piano) Russian Connections: Gerard McBurney presents 12.00 Puzzki orchestral music (r) 1.00pm News

1.05 Concert Hall: Live from Broadcasting House, London Delme Quartet performs Bach. air Simpson (Three Fugues The An of Fugue): Tchaikovsky (Ouartet No 3 in E flat minor)

12.30-12.35em News 1.00-2.25 Night School (FM only) (as Radio 5 at 9am) 2.00 Record Review (r) 3.30 La Jeune France: Daniel-Lesur (Overture, Andrea del COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND GILLIAN MAXEY
TELEVISION CHOICE STEPHANIE BILLENWADIO CHOICE PETER DAVALLE

Santo: USSR State SO under V. Dubrovsky, Suite médiévale for flute, harp and string trio: Syrick)
4.00 Choral Evensong

CHOICE: There are at least two excellent reasons for tuning in to this live tuning in to this five transmission from the chapel of King's College, Cambridge. It is the first time since its recent restoration that Thomas Dallam's 1606 organ will have been heard on radio. And, atthough the broadcast from King's of its much-loved Festival of Nine Lesanns and Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols is still 43 days away, today's live relay is a foretasts of the joys in store for us because chok, organ and matchless acoustics will be those we shall be hearing again on Christmas Eve

5.00 in Tune. Michael Oliver presents music, news and ritensews
7.30 Swedish Radio Symphony
Orchestra under Esa-Pekta
Saloren performs Jan
Sandstrom (Trombone
Concerto: Christian Lindberg);

Mahler (Symphony No 7)
9,20 Im a Word . . . Ostinato. David
Huckvale explores musical 9.30 Stephen Hough: The planist plays Paderewski (Noctume in 8 fat, Op 16 No 4; Minute in G. Op 14 No 1): Lowell Liebermann (Sonata Nottume): Liszt (En rive; impromptu in F sharp. Wiegenlied) (r) 10.05 Messiaen (Trois Peites Liturgies de la présence divine: London Sindonietta and

Chorus under Terry Edwards. with Rolf Hind, piano, Cynthia Milar, ondes maternot)
10.45 Night Waves, live from the
1992 Hull Literature Festival.
Includes discussion of the Solocted Letters of Philip Larlon and his poetic legacy; contemporary writing from

contemporary writing from
Hult, and poetry publishing
11.30 Chopin — The Great
Interpreters: The piantst Artur
Rubinstein plays Polonaise in
F sharp minor, Op 44: Three
Mazurias, Op 56; Ballade No
4 in F minor, Op 52; Sonata
No 2 in B flat minor, Op 35

2.47 Treasure Islands (FM only)
(r) 3.00 File on 4 (FM only)
3.42 Davil's Advocate (FM only):
John Sessions takes the side of Dickens 3 Mr Murdstone,

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Salako suffers new knee injury

Platt promises to shrug off his defensive duties

By DENNIS SHAW AND LOUISE TAYLOR

THE defensive midfield duties demanded of David Platt by his Italian club, Juventus, will be discarded with relish when he attempts to inspire a high-scoring England win against Turkey at Wembley next Wednesday.

Platt yesterday eased any fears that his appetite for goals had been eroded by the more negative role he adopts for his club when he said: "I can change my style very easily." England will hope he can, for Platt has scored his nation's

In Italy, Platt's record is just two goals in 13 starts, way below his personal target, but, ever the diplomat, he yesterday avoided any suggestion of disillusionment with the role required of him by Giovanni

BIRMINGHAM City Football Club could be purchased

for as little as £1.25 million

following the financial col-

lapse last week of the club's

owners (Dennis Shaw writes).

This figure would cover the

cost to the Kumar brothers

when they bought 84 per cent of the shares, plus debts of approximately £500,000.

tis and Partners, are looking for £1.25 million, but will sell

to the highest bidder. No firm

approaches have been re-

among those interested are

the Wrublewski brothers,

owners of the Birmingham

Bullets basketball club, and a

ACROSS

i Car dashboard (5)

9 Fast French train (1.1.1)

12 Spanish donkey (5)

13 Raging violently (5) 16 Joker's missile (5.4)

20 Wrestling floor (3)

21 Constrained (9)

22 In no place (7)

18 Fossil cooking fuel (3)

SOLUTIONS TO NO 2941

This position is from the

game Fischer - Spassky,

Sveti Stefan (Game 11) 1992.

White has a material advan-

tage, but his main problem is

to reactivate his errant h6-

knight. This could be

achieved with 1 Ng4, but

Fischer found a much more

dynamic continuation. Can

you see it?

Solution below.

10 That there (3) 11 Moth pupa (9)

4 Glisten (7)

reported yesterday,

The receivers, Leonard Cur-

Trappatoni, the Juventus

"I cannot go forward as much for Juventus as I have done with previous clubs because I might leave a hole behind me." he said. "Also, I could get in the way of our three front men. We might score more, but we might also

give more away.
"I spend more time in our own penalty area than I do in the opposition's, but I am not unhappy about my shortage of goals because of the way I am required to play. I'm sure I would score more if I had freedom."

Switching priorities to England's scoring requirement if qualification for the World Cup finals in the United States in 1994 is to be achieved, his

consortium involving Paddy

Lynch, the boxing promoter.

and the millionaire. Mike

McGinnity. Another prospec-

tive purchaser to enter the

arena yesterday was Roy

Breuhat, 47. a Guernsey-

based millionaire, who owns

Despite this, the Kumars

are seeking to retain control.

claiming that the appoint-

ment of the Receiver was illegal. "An order was made

without notice, in private, appointing a receiver to carry

on the business of a going

concern," Ramesh Kumar, the

Cabra shares, page 21

plastic factories.

vice-chairman

Half century (5)

3 Reverse circle direction

2 Inquest officer (7)

4 Steps (light (6)

5 Beyond words (13) 6 from, copper (5)

Amended (7)

15 Scottish cottage (6)

14 Prejudiced (7)

WINNING MOVE

19 Allied (5)

ACROSS: 1 Scaled 5 Affect 8 Find 9 Outgoing 10 Quarts 12 Mush 15 Physiotherapy 16 Pass 17 Awhile 19 Adjacent 21 Haha 22 Amatol 23 Daniel

DOWN: 2 Chihuahua 3 Led 4 Dropshot 5 Arty 6 Frogmarch 7 Can 11 Resistant 13 Sepulchre 14 Thwarted 18 Real 20 Dim

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Rd7+ and 3 Rd8+ respectively) 3 f4 and white regains the piece

Solution: the best solution is to return the piece temporarily with I M5+! gd5 2 ed5+ Be5 (2 ... K)7 and 2 ... K/8 lose to 3

12 S African aborigine (7)

17 Under one's influence

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Birmingham City, said.

Cut price Birmingham

desire to return to attacking habits becomes obvious.

Platt's international record of 12 goals in 33 games could be regarded as the basis for a long-range attack on Bobby Charlton's haul of 49 in 106. "My philosophy is, first, that I want to win every game, second, it would be nice to win 5-0 and, third. I would be happy to score every goal scored by my team," he said. "If I can get three scoring

chances per game, at any level, then I can get 20 goals or more per season." Platt recognises that his situation has changed dramatically since his £6.5 million move from Bari to the Turin giants. No longer is he a star outshining the rest, but he disputes the impression that his general form is reflected by that declining goal ratio.

Trappatoni said I would score fewer goals because of my role in the team," Platt pointed out. "I believe I am doing what they want me to."

Platt has played in 13 of Juventus's 17 fixtures, losing his place three times because of the limitation on foreigners to three per game and once through injury. He was in Birmingham to launch a promotional link with Brymon Airways and will return tomorrow to join up with the

England party.

Before Platt boarded the flight to Milan he added: "If you saw the look of delight on my face when I scored against Norway, you would know how much I enjoy getting goals."

John Salako, the Crystal

Palace winger, could withdraw from the England squad after suffering a knee injury in training. Palace yesterday 23, had a recurrence of the knee ligament problem that required a career-saving operation in the United States last

Salako sustained the origi-nal injury in October 1991 and missed seven months of last season. It was suggested that his career could be over. but the player had a dead man's ligaments grafted onto his knee and returned to the Palace first team this August.

Alan Smith, Palace's assistant manager, said: "John just has a knock. It is nothing to do with the operation. He could well be pulling out of the England squad, but we don't know. He might just need to rest for a couple of days." ☐ Ray Lewis, a referee, has been reported to the Football Association for allegedly wearing at a supporter. He faces potential disciplinary ac-

tion. Lewis, 48, a marketing the position. director from Great Bookham in Surrey, was reported following an incident during last Tuesday's third division match between Barnet and

converts-to union from rugby

remains barred from playing, and Carlisle are baffled and dismayed by the saga.

Nomad Allison returns to Rovers

build your confidence and belief. I'm the comman." Yet for all the blamey and variety of employers, his suc-cess rate is difficult to question. After his playing days with West Ham United were cut short by tuberculosis. he graduated through Bath City but he still retains his rent-aand Plymouth to coach Manchester City in 1965. With Joe Mercer, the manager, they won the league champion-

ship, League Cup and Euro-pean Cup Winners Cup. Allison's rare brand of motivation pushed Palace, then of the third division, to an FA Cup semi-final. He also guided Sporting to the Portuguese league title in 1982.

Never frightened of humble pie, he returned from his travels to manage Fisher Athletic, the non-league side, in June 1989. "Personal reasons" caused a split five months later and Allison now finds himself reborn at Rovers. He once said: "For me, the years don't matter. Look at Frank Sinatra and George Burns. People still flock to see them." Twerton Park should brace itself for one more, maybe final, Allison performance.

Talk of legal action by Krabbe

By JOHN GOODBODY

KATRIN Krabbe, the world 100 and 200 metres champion, and two other German athletes are threatening to fight their four-year ban for drug-taking in the English

Jos Hermens, Krabbe's agent, said yesterday that if the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) supports any suspension on Krabbe, Grit Breuer and Manuela Derr, they could take the case to London, where the IAAF has its headquarters. The athletes also being the transfer of the t athletes also think it would be easier to fight the matter in England because the weightlifters' decision was taken there," he said.

The three athletes and the two British weightlifters sent home from the Olympic Games, Andrew Saxton and Andrew Davies, were all found to have taken denbuterol Saxton and Davies have been exonerated by the British Amateur Weightlifters Association (BAWLA) because the governing body received legal advice casting entenne doubt on whether denbuterol was banned in out-of-compettion testing before July 31. when the International Olympic Committee confirmed its status as an anabolic agent.

Hermen's said that the athletes, who had also been found positive for clenbuterol in outof-competition testing in July, had met the German Athletics Federation anti-drugging commission, which offered to reduce the ban from four years to 17 months.

In return, the athletes suggested a six-month ban, and also agreed that they would not run in the 1993 world \$ C 1/2

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championships.
"Now with the weightlifters" case concluded, they may not even accept a six-month ban," Hermans said. "They may ask for the suspension to be

Yesterday in London, BAWLA OMCIZIS. by a lawyer and Professor Arnold Beckett, who has constantly proclaimed the inno-cence of the German athletes and weightlifters under existing rules, met the Sports Council, which has threatened to cut their grant because of

their decision.
Walter Holland, the BAWLA secretary, said: "We have been able to understand each other's position."



New challenge: Nigel Mansell practises his swing at the Royal Adelaide golf course yesterday

Mansell pours oil on Adelaide fire

By Our Sports Staff

NIGEL Mansell suggested yesterday that race stewards had shirked their responsibil-ities over his crash with Ayrton Senna in the Australian grand prix because the Formula One world championship had been decided before the race.

The British driver, who had secured his first world title in August, continued his criticism of officials, who called the incident a sporting accident. as he prepared to play in this week's South Australian Open golf championship at Royal

Mansell said he believed the stewards at the race in Adelaide on Sunday had acted unfairly after Senna's car drove into the back of his Williams-Renault, forcing both him and the Brazilian out of the race.

"The problem is that the stewards probably chose not to do anything about it because the sport's in a big enough turmoil anyway." Mansell said. "It's the last race of the year, the championship was sewn up, so because we were both put out they probably took the soft option - to not do

just got to accept he made a really bad mistake going into the corner, because if you bump someone off who's in front of you, it can't be the person in front at fault." Mansell is nursing a sore back, neck and right thumb as a result of the collision. "I

"But I tend to think if it had

been reversed there would

have been a lot more hollering

and shouting. He [Senna] has

hoped to get through the weekend without any bumps other ideas," he said.

A two-handicap golfer. Mansell hopes to do better than he did in the Australian Open at Royal Sydney four years ago, when he failed to make the cut. "My expectation is just to go

own game."

Formula One for American

Indy Car racing, said he had

"butterflies" heading into the

four-day golf tournament, for

which he received a sponsors' invitation. "But the injuries

shouldn't be a problem," he

out and enjoy myself," he said.

I know the course well now

and I ve just got to manage my

Pete Jones and Bob Phillips.

and bruises. Unfortunately one of my fellow drivers had Mansell, who is leaving

RFU acts to lift suspension on Carlisle

By Christopher Irvine

THE Rugby Football Union (RFU) has come to the aid of Carlisle, the Courage Clubs Championship second divi-sion north club, which was forced by the Cumbrian rugby authorities to suspend all play-ing activities indefinitely last weekend for fielding a former rugby league trialist.

Nigel White, a New Zealander, played rugby league as an amateur and had trials at Workington Town. Carlisle fielded White in a club match against Annan on September 16 after apparently receiving assurances from the New Zealand Rugby Union that he was clear to play, and informing both Twickenham and the Cumbrian Rugby Union of

Carlisle thought no more of it, until Cumbria announced last week that it had no other option but to suspend immed-

White, officials argued, had not been properly reinstated, and Carlisle were in clear breach of the rules governing

After four days of confusion.
Carlisle were given permission by the RFU to fulfil their home second XV fixture against Creighton last night after it had earlier granted the club's appeal against suspension. The case is expected to be heard at Twickenham later this month, when Carlisle hope for no stiffer punishment than a reprimand.

In the meantime, White "We came clean to the

authorities on the player, who we genuinely believed was clear to play for us," Ray Singleton, the club's spokesman, said.

"We informed Cumbria in a letter back in September, but didn't get a reply, until we were told last Friday that we Glanville at blind-side flanker. The Gloucester selectors are were suspended. Everything keen to get Ashmead back to had to be cancelled, including form in time for the club's the mini-rugby session for 60 important league match with Saracens later this month. children." ☐ Waterloo have upset Bath However, there is no place for either of their regular props,

by pulling out of their sched-uled match at the Recreation Ground on Saturday, two weeks before their meeting in the third round of the Pilkington Cup. Tony Cove, spokesman for the seconddivision club, said yesterday: We see no real point in playing a Bath second team. and every point in keeping our powder dry for the big day."

□ Paul Ashmead, the flanker, returns from a 45-day suspension to play for Gloucester in

their match with Transvaal at Kingsholm on Friday.

Ashmead was suspended last month for illegal use of the boot on Dean Richards during Gloucester's league match with Leicester at the end of September, but he returns just two days after the end of his suspension to displace Pete



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BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

MALCOLM Allison has never been one to break bread with the establishment. Wine. women and song champagne, cigars and fancy hats. Bizarre tastes in the straightlaced world of football

Always eager for the publicity stunt, even if it exploded in his face, Allison's effervescent love of life has often been at odds with the more regimented day-to-day demands of inspiring a team of nohopers into world-beaters.

But now, at 65. Allison is back, as eager as ever to inject hope into a dying cause. He took charge, albeit temporary, of Bristol Rovers yesterday when Dennis Rofe, the

Rovers manager, resigned. Not for the first time in his career, Allison's appointment as a consultant had caused a stir. Rovers' board expressed concern about the "ongoing partnership" between the pair and it was Rofe who

exited stage left. Rovers are bottom of the first division and many might query their wisdom in hiring a character who, apart from his

raged so many so often with his colourful behaviour and off-the-wall training

Yet only Tommy Docherty can rival him in the number of clubs which have called on his services. Plymouth Argyle, Manchester City and Crystal Palace engaged him twice. Forced to lead a nomadic

existence abroad, he sought sanctuary at, among others, Galatasaray in Turkey and Sporting Lisbon and Vitoria Setubal in Portugal. He once posed naked with

Fiona Richmond in a dressing room bath. It was manna from heaven for the assembled photographers. In his early years, Allison admitted to having gambled £1 million and won £2 million. "If you don't live at risk, you don't live," he said. "You've

got to work out the odds and go to win all the time." It encapsulated his outlook on life, live now, pay later. A two-season stint as coach to Vitoria Setubal in the late Eighties ended in dismissal —

an all-too-regular occurrence

for a man not noted for his

diplomacy or tact. His depar-

ture then was perhaps more to do with his players indulg-ing in kung fu fighting as part of their pre-match preparations. Only recently, Allison showed he has lost none of his ability to shock. His fedora and fur-coat days may be over

quote bravado backed up by heart-felt philosophy.

There are two types of people who succeed in coach-

ing," he said. "They are conmen and confidence tricksters or intelligent men who



Allison: eager